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[illegible], 1909.

Mr. [illegible],

2159 Van Pelt Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

Dear Mr. Kretz:

Your letter of the 17th instant has been received in Mr. Speer's absence in South America. We are expecting him back the last week of this month, and at that time your request for his services the last Sunday of February, 1910, will be brought to his attention. It has just occurred to me, however, that he may be in Scotland at that time, but he will let you know definitely regarding this. I sincerely trust he may be able to comply with your request, and I know what a blessing he would be in stimulating the missionary interest of your Church.

I was very much interested in looking over your splendid report of the work done the past year.

Very cordially yours,

George H. Stuart

October 19th, 1909.

Mr. D.O.Meese,

Murray-Dodge Hall,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Meese:

Your note of October 18th addressed to Mr. Speer, requesting him to come to Princeton on December 9th or 16th, has been received. Mr. Speer has not yet returned from his South American trip, but we are expecting him the last week of this month, at which time your request will receive his attention.

I hope you may be successful in securing his services, and remain

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

[illegible] Oct, [illegible]

[illegible]

Strathcona Hall,

Montreal, Canada.

My dear Mr. Paterson:-

Your letter of October 16th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has just been received, who is now en route to New York from South America, where he has been for the past six months, visiting our mission work. We will place your letter where he can see it on his return, and you will doubtless hear from him as soon as possible thereafter.

Very sincerely yours,

George M. Fulton
Acting Secretary.

[illegible] 1[illegible], [illegible].

The Rev. J. H. Adam, D.D.,

[illegible], N. [illegible].

My dear Dr. Adam:-

Your note of October 20th, addressed to Dr. Speer, has just been received. Dr. Speer is now on [illegible] from South America, and is due home on the [illegible] I will place your letter where he can see it on his return.

Very sincerely yours,

Floyd W. Tomkins
Acting Secretary.

Your note of October 22nd, addressed to Mr. Speer, has just been received.

Mr. Speer is now en route from South America, where he has been for the past six months, visiting our mission work, and he due here on October 27th. We will bring your request to his attention after his return and he will doubtless communicate with you as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,

Auditing Secretary.

The Rev. Robert Hugh Morris,

Evanston, Ill.

My dear Mr. Morris:

Your letter of October 23rd to Mr. Speer, requesting him to speak in the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston in November, has been received in his absence. Mr. Speer is expected to return from his South American trip the latter part of this week, and at that time your letter will be brought to his attention. I wonder if you are not mistaken in your supposition that he is to be one of the speakers at the State Postponed Convention on November 11th, 12th and 13th. It may be that he made this engagement while in South America, but I do not know of it. He will be exceedingly busy when he returns, but I hope that he may be able to accommodate you.

Very cordially yours,

October 30th, 1909.

The Rev. Chas. A. Bowen.

1825 Twenty-third Ave.,

Seattle, Wash.

My dear Mr. Bowen:-

Your letter of October 20th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has just been received.

Mr. Speer has been in South America for the last six months, but will probably return now within three or four days. I may say that he is gathering material for a biography of Mr. Bowen, and will doubtless be very glad to avail himself of the information contained in your letter, which will be placed where he can see it when he comes back to the office.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

Professor [illegible]

[illegible], N.Y.

My dear Charles:

I got back to New York on Wednesday evening, and have just read over your [illegible] letter enclosed in the Camp Diamond Round Robin. I missed very [illegible] the Summer at Camp, and fear I shall miss during the Winter the refreshment and invigorations which the Camp life always has given me. It was so good to get the letters from the blessed little company there, and I shall rejoice to see the various members of the circle as it becomes possible. I suppose that you will be at the Board Meeting on Monday.

With reference to the Princeton lectures, I am all clear for the week beginning November 7th, but I have to be in Washington on the morning of the 11th to speak at the Layman's [illegible] there, and could not get to Princeton in time for an afternoon. The following week I have Yale to get, but the 18th I have No thing. The week beginning November 25th, I have free, but Thursday of that week is Thanksgiving Day, so that the first full week that I have entirely free is the week beginning November 29th. If some of the lectures could be in one week and some the next, however, we could easily get them in earlier. I shall be glad to talk the matter over with you on Monday.

With [illegible] regards to Mrs. Erdman and the children, I remain

[illegible]

[illegible] 20th, 1970.

Mr. Henry B. Slavin, Jr.,

Trans Building,

Washington, D.C.

Dear John:

I met back on Wednesday evening [illegible], and [illegible] Sumner's note of December 10th which [illegible] the [illegible] in Washington. I expect to come down for the [illegible] research [illegible] Congressman [illegible] but have [illegible] other engagements [illegible] Sunday, which [illegible] it impossible [illegible] but it will probably be necessary [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible].

It is good to hear [illegible] and [illegible] consequence [illegible].

October 30th, 1909.

Mr. Henry E. Gregory,
Room 413, Terminal Building,
Park Avenue & 41st Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Gregory:

I fear it will not be possible for me to get to the meeting of the A.I.and D. Committee on Friday afternoon, November 5th. If I find that I can come, I shall hope to be present.

Very cordially yours,

October 30th, 1909.

Mr. Henry H. Tifft,
Room 413, Terminal Building,
Park Avenue & 41st Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Tifft:

I am sorry that I shall have to be out of town on Tuesday, and that it will not be possible for me to attend the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juvenile Asylum that evening, and I have [illegible] for Tuesday [illegible]. If I can [illegible] it, I shall come to the meeting at that time at 21 Liberty Street, in case the meeting is to be held. If I am not there, will you kindly present my excuse ?

Very cordially yours,

Miss M. Christie,

Peoria, Ill.

[illegible]

[illegible] Night [illegible] Tour, [illegible] the [illegible] of October, [illegible] very [illegible] possible for me to come to Peoria for the evening of November [illegible], as I have to be away from home that day. I am [illegible] to [illegible]. I shall be glad to hear you [illegible] [illegible] will be possible for me to come there. [illegible] [illegible] guarantee have [illegible] possible.

[illegible], [illegible].

President James G. McClure,

2048 North Halstead Street,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. McClure:

I got back to New York last week and have been trying ever since to catch up with the correspondence, reading, as far as possible, the letters of the months I was gone.

I cannot forbear writing just a word in reply to your good letter of September 28rd, to tell you how sorry I am that I did not get back in time to make it possible to come out to the anniversary. I do hope that the meetings fulfill all your desires.

With warmest regards to all the family, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Mr. Ransford S. Miller,

Department of State,

Washington, D.C.

My dear Ransford:

I was delighted to receive on Friday, when I got back to my office, your good letter of September 14th written from Tokyo. I saw in Barranquilla, Colombia, an American paper containing an account of the new Bureau in the State Department, and reporting that you were to be at the head of the Bureau on the Far East. I rejoiced to see this, both because of the important post to which it brought you, and also because you will now be nearer at hand, where it may be possible sometimes to see you.

I expect to get down to Washington next week for at least one of the sessions of the Laymen's Missionary Convention, and if I can get time I shall come around to see you then. Otherwise, I shall hope to see you whenever you are over here. I hope that whenever you come over, you will not fail to come and lunch with me. I expect to be here pretty continuously this month and next, but have to be in Scotland in January and February, delivering missionary lectures in some of the university cities.

I hope that you and Mrs. Miller are both well, and with warmest regards from Mrs. Speer and myself, I am

Ever cordially yours,

The Rev. John Timothy Devine, D.D.,

157 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

Dear Dr. Devine:

Returning to the office yesterday, I found your very kind letter of October 6th with reference to the Annual Dinner of the Presbyterian Union on the evening of December 6th. I should be very glad to accept your invitation and to speak at the Dinner that evening with reference to South America.

It is good to be back again and to see my friends with whom life is ever richer than anything.

Very cordially yours,

The Rev. George Robson, D.D.,

[illegible] Road,

[illegible]

My dear Dr. Robson:-

I returned to New York this week from South America, and write at the first opportunity in reply to your good letter of September 30th. Your judgment with reference to the time required for the lectures is conclusive, and makes it an satisfactory.

I write now to ask as to the day on which I should work [illegible]. The Student Volunteer Convention, corresponding to the meeting in Nashville at which you were present, is to be held in Rochester, New York on December 28th to January 2nd, so that I could not get away from New York, at the earliest, until some time in that week beginning January 2nd. Would it be satisfactory if I [illegible] plan to reach Edinburgh say about Friday, January 14th? That would give the last three Sundays in January and the first three in February, and would make it possible for me to be back in New York about the [illegible]

Will you kindly let me know whether the lectures should be confined rigidly to an hour in length, or whether I might exceed this limit, or should plan to cut the lectures down to shorter time?

A number of invitations for addresses have come while I have been gone, and [illegible] the [illegible] carry [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] conflict with any other arrangements.

[illegible] regards, and looking forward with great pleasure to seeing you then, I am

Very faithfully yours,

[illegible] your note of October 10th.

[illegible] it might have been possible for me to come up to the Convention in Worcester, but I am very just back and it would be impossible to get away from New York for [illegible] days. There is so much home that needs to be got in hand again after so long an absence. I hope [illegible] having a fine and profitable Convention.

Please give earnest regards from Mrs. Power and myself to Mrs. Power, and believe me

[illegible]

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Chg - November 3rd, 1909.

Rev. A. R. Taylor, D.D.,
Decatur, Ill.

Speer unable to be present at Jacksonville Convention. Engagement at Washington.

George W. Fulton.

[illegible] 4th, 1940.

The Rev. [illegible],

[illegible] Ave.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

I have very much that there may be some opportunity to see you [illegible], but I have two or three conferences which may be engaging me the hour that you may call. I shall hope, however, that we may be free at that time.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible] Aug. 26.

Mr. [illegible] Jones,

143 Liberty Street,

New York City.

My dear Fred:

Your good letter, with reference to supplies for our Church and the entertainment of Dr. Halsey, have been received. I have forgotten to speak to Mr. [illegible] about the matter, but I know Dr. Tyler [illegible] would be very glad to take care of him. I will do any thing

[illegible]

I haven't in mind any good [illegible] for Sunday [illegible] still unprovided for, but should be glad to make [illegible] a list of suggested names. Possibly [illegible] Thompson [illegible], Pa., of Orange [illegible] to suggest for [illegible] Sunday. [illegible] one Sunday [illegible] from [illegible] Fourth Sunday [illegible] or E, or it perhaps [illegible] Number 2 [illegible]. You could address him [illegible] very glad to [illegible] him, [illegible] are [illegible] keep [illegible] glad [illegible] Scotland [illegible] Tell [illegible] supplied. [illegible]

[illegible] morning sermon. [illegible] prefer [illegible] evening sermon.

November th, 1909.

Mrs. William Borden,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Borden:

I saw Dr. Erdman this week, and the dates of the Princeton Lectures have been arranged for November 29th to December 3rd inclusive. I shall probably have an hour or more after each lecture before having to catch the train back to New York, and shall be very glad to meet you after some of the Lectures to talk about Mr. Snyder's daughter. If you think that we are delaying it too long, and plan to be in New York at any time before November 29th, I shall be glad to arrange to meet you then if possible.

Very sincerely yours,

November 5th, 1909.

Mr. W.E.La Gauke,

Twenty-Third Street Branch,

Young Men's Christian Association, N.Y.C.

Dear Mr. La Gauke:

Your kind note of November 2nd has been received. I am glad to do anything I can to serve the Twenty-Third StreetBranch, but my long absences from the country this year make it necessary to crowd so much into the few months that I shall be at home, that Ifear it will not be practicable to give a Sunday afternoon for one of your meetings. If I have engagements here at any time during the year which give me a spare afternoon, I shall be glad to help you if I can.

Very cordially yours,

November 5th, 1909.

Mr. J.M.Holmes,

Levering Hall,

Johns Hopkins University,

Baltimore, MD.

My dear Mr. Holmes:

Your kind letter of November 3rd has been received. I wish I could accept your invitation, but I have been away for the last six months and have to go to Scotland for January and February, so that the year's ordinary work has to be crowded into less than half a year. That will make it impossible for me to accept many invitations which I should otherwise have been very glad to accept. I shall only be getting back from Scotland in March. We shall be especially busy then as we changed our fiscal year so that it closes now the last day in March.

Regretting that I cannot have the pleasure of coming, and with best wishes for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

The Rev. George W. Hickman,

[illegible] North [illegible] St.,

[illegible], [illegible].

My dear Mr. Hickman:-

[illegible] has been received, and [illegible] I might accept your cordial invitation, [illegible] because of the conditions which I have explained in my letter to [illegible], a copy of which I have enclosed, I shall not be able to get [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], [illegible].

The [illegible]'s [illegible] Laverlage,

[illegible] Green Place,

[illegible],

[illegible]:-

Your very kind note of November 3rd has been received.

I wish I could accept the invitation which you have so cordially extended, but in view of the situation in which I find myself, as explained in my letter to Mr. Steiner, a copy of which I enclose, it will not be possible for me to get down for the Baltimore Convention.

With warm regards,

Very [illegible],

[illegible], [illegible].

Mr. Bernard J. Steiner,

[illegible] Public Library,

[illegible], Md.

My dear Mr. Steiner:-

[illegible] and yourself and [illegible], and a [illegible] would find a [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] other [illegible] [illegible].

I am very sorry that it will not be possible for me to come down for the convention in December 1931. I have only a few more days before I must go abroad again for several months, and the engagements already [illegible] are so many as I am hope to keep and at the same time to be sure that everything is done in the Board Room.

Regretting that I cannot come, and with best wishes for the highest success of the Convention, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November 9th, 1909.

Mr. Speer regrets that other engagements will make it impossible for him to attend the Annual Dinner of the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian Associations.

November 6th, 1909.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, PA.

My dear Professor Meigs:

As you will have learned probably from the Cooks, Joe and I got back safely on the 27th from our wanderings in South America, and very happy we were to be back once more, and I am looking forward to seeing Joe again this coming Sunday, which I think is my first appointment at the Hill. I believe my other appointments are December 5th, April 10th, May 1st and May 22nd, with a June Sunday dependent upon whether or not I have to go to Scotland to attend the World Missionary Conference in Edinburgh in June. I find March 5th also marked on my calendar, but with some tentative expressions.

Please don't trouble to answer this. I can get it all clear when I come over on Sunday.

With much love to Mrs. John and yourself, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

November 9th, 1909.

Mr. J.M.Colton,

Jenkintown, Pa.

Dear Mr. Colton:

I returned from South America the week before last, and Mr. Day has handed me your note of November 4th, asking whether I shall be in New York on November 12th. I have to be in Washington on November 11th, but as far as I can now say shall be in New York on the 12th and 13th.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] 1, [illegible]

[illegible] A. G. Winant,

[illegible] Fifth Avenue,

[illegible] New York City.

My dear Miss Winant:-

Mr. Speer wishes me to say that in consequence of some [illegible] engagements he regrets very much that it will be impossible for him to accept your kind invitation to speak before the New York Press Club on November 19th.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] to Mr. Robert M. Speer.

[illegible] 10th, 1909.

The Rev. R.H.Morris, D.D.,

Evanston, ILL.

My dear Dr. Morris:

On returning from South America a few days ago I found your kind letters with reference to the possible meeting in the First Church of Evanston. I did not know that I had been announced to speak at the Brotherhood Convention. I found an invitation to the Convention when I returned but was obliged to reply that it would not be possible to come as I have to be in Washington at the Laymen's [illegible] on November 11th, and have an engagement here in the city for Sunday, November 14th. It would have been a great pleasure to come to Evanston if I could have arranged to do so.

I trust that your work is developing beyond even your boldest faith, and with best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated November 8th.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. Nathan W. Helm,

Evanston, ILL.

My dear Mr. Helm:

I was very much interested, on returning from South America a few days ago, to find your letter of July 4th, telling [illegible] of the Evanston Academy. I trust that the work has already opened up hopefully and satisfactorily, and that it may prove to be more than all you had expected.

I wish I could look forward to the opportunity of speaking to the boys some time in the near future, but I see no prospect of it. I am tied here for the next two months and must then go abroad again until some time in March, and have no appointments for the Spring that would take me out to Chicago or the vicinity. If ever the opportunity comes, however, I shall be glad to embrace it.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated November 8th.

[illegible] Deitrich,

Y.M.C.A.,
Fulton & Fifth Streets,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mr. Deitrich:

On returning from South America a few days ago I found your note of June 11th, which had been acknowledged and kept for me.

I have no appointments in Brooklyn this Fall or Winter, and doubt whether I shall have any as I have already committed myself for practically all of this month and next, and expect to be in Scotland in January and February and will not get back until some time early in March.

Very sincerely yours,

November 10th, 1909.

Mr. Franklin H. Klotz,

2159 Van Pelt Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Mr. Klotz:

Your kind note of October 17th was acknowledged before my return from South America. I write now to say that I regret that it will not be possible for me to help you in the work of your Sunday School Missionary Society. I shall be in Scotland the Sunday you mention.

With best wishes for the work of your Society, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November [illegible]th, 1909.

[illegible],

Strathconan Hall,

[illegible], Canada.

My dear Mr. Patterson:

[illegible] acknowledged before I had returned from South America. It will not be possible for me, I am sorry to have to say, to come to Montreal for February 27th. I expect to be in Scotland [illegible] over there and the appointments already made on this side, I have my schedule about filled up from now until next June.

Very cordially yours,

November 10th, 1909.

Mr. Sydney Barker,

13 Pell Mell, Stock Exchange,

Manchester, ENGLAND.

Dear Sir:

Your kind note of October 19th with reference to the Anniversary Meeting on April 12th, has been received. I wish I could have the pleasure of accepting your invitation, but I do not expect to be in England at that time. I have to be in Scotland in January and February and shall probably return to Edinburgh for the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE in June, but March, April and May I must be back in the United States.

Thanking you heartily for your kind invitation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November 10th, 1909.

The Rev. Thornton A. Mills, Ph.D.,
29 Wendell Avenue,
Schnectady, New York.

My dear Dr. Mills:

Your kind note of October 28th was received the first day I was back in the offices after returning from South America. It was a great pleasure to hear from you. I have a very nice letter from Mr. Cavert, president of the Union College Y.M.C.A. inviting me to come up for March 11th and 12th. I have had to tell him that I could not hope to do so. I am uncertain as to just when I shall be able to get back from Scotland, and I have already as many engagements, I fear, as I can hope to compass and at the same time to catch up with the work that will have accumulated.

I hope that you and Mrs. Mills are quite well, and with kind regards, I am

Ever cordially yours,

November 20th, 1909.

The Rev. Baker Ferguson,

Mansfield, OHIO.

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

Your kind note of October 8th was received and acknowledged before my return from South America. I appreciate the nearness of your invitation to attend the Ohio Christian Endeavor Convention next June, but I shall probably have to be in Scotland that month in connection with the World Missionary Conference, to be held in Edinburgh. I trust that you may not find any difficulty in arranging for a presentation of the missionary cause.

With best wishes for the work of the Union, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible], 1929.

Mr. Clarence S. Gee,

Wooster, OHIO.

My dear Mr. Gee:

Your good letter of October [illegible] reached me while I was still in South America on a trip from which I did not return until after the Cleveland Convention. I [illegible] have been there, I should have been glad to come if I could, and then there might have been time for a visit to Wooster again. However, I am in Ohio and near enough to get to Wooster, I shall be glad to communicate with Dr. Wolfen, or if there should be anything [illegible] this year, will you.

With best wishes for the work of the Association, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible]

21 American Building,

Baltimore, Md.

[illegible]

I am sorry not to have been able to answer earlier your letter of October 10th, with reference to the State Christian Endeavor Convention of Maryland, but my other engagements will make it impossible for me to come to the Convention.

I hope that you enjoy a thoroughly good meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

November 10th, 1910.

Mr. W.C. Dawes,

Schenectady, New York.

My dear Mr. Dawes:

On returning from South America a few days ago, I found your kind note of October 15th, which had been already acknowledged. I hope I could help you in the work in Schenectady, but I have already filled up my schedule for this month and next, and must be excused again for January and February.

With best wishes for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Mr. George Brand,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir, [illegible]

[illegible] returning to say that I shall not be able to help in any of the rallies which you mention. I do not expect to be in Chicago this year, and [illegible] and while I expect to be back in the Spring, I have no [illegible] then that will take me out to Chicago.

[illegible]

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Rev. Clifford T. [illegible],

1624 Tribune Building,

[illegible],

My dear Clifford:

[illegible] I should be happy if it were possible to come out and be of any help, but I have all my time [illegible] work is to be started for January and February in [illegible] CONFERENCE to be held there in June .

I am glad that the work is going on successfully, and with kindest regards to Mrs. Barnes and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible],

[illegible]

Dear Mr. Elliger:

[illegible] of July 28th, which [illegible], I regret to have to say that I have already [illegible] for this engagement which will make it [illegible] to be able to accept any of these Sundays, and I [illegible] January and February. I have already [illegible] for the Sundays in March.

With best wishes for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

December 18th 1907.

Mr. F.J. Tarney,

[illegible] Boylston Street,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Tarney:

Your kind letter of June 9th, which was acknowledged during my absence in South America, I found awaiting me on my return.

I regret very much it will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation for December 19th. I have all that I can do in my own work here for this month and next, and must go abroad again in January.

With best wishes for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November 10th, 1909.

Miss Maurice H. Sair,

[illegible] Randolph Street,

Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Miss Sair:

I have received your letter of October [illegible] in response to an open meeting of the Boston Student Volunteer League some time [illegible] June. It is not correct to say I am near Boston until next Spring, and I am not sure that I shall be there then. If I come up for a Sunday or because of my [illegible] I might be able to arrange for a Saturday evening of that week [illegible] notary, but I have as yet no definite engagement [illegible] outdoor [illegible] that week. For some days until I hear from Scotland regarding some engagements there [illegible] I shall know whether I can make either of these appointments.

Very sincerely yours,

November 10th, 1909.

Mr. Roland W. Terrilye,
141 Broadway,
New York City,

My dear Mr. Terrilye:

Your kind note of November 2d th, with the enclosed burglary policy and receipt on my Washington Life policy, has been received. Thank you very much for attending to these.

Very faithfully yours,

November 10th, 1909.

The Rev. Franklin Adams,
2 Jackson Place,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am very grateful for your prompt and kindly reply to my letter of November 5th, and enclose, herewith, twenty-five cents in stamps, covering the cost of the Annual Review number of the Bulletin.

Very truly yours,

November 10th, 1909.

The Rev. Alexander Sprunt, D.D.,

Charleston , S.C.

My dear Dr. Sprunt:

Your kind note of October 2nd, confirming Dr. Kershaw's invitation to attend the Centennial of the Charlestown Bible Society was received while I was still away in South America . I write at the first opportunity to say that if it were at all a possibility I should be happy to come, but I have to be abroad again for January and February and I think some time in March, I fear, and have already engagements for all of the Sundays in March and April after my return.

I have written thanking Dr. Kershaw for the invitation, and I thank you for your most cordial reinforcement of it, and the invitation which I highly appreciate, to speak at the morning session of the First Presbyterian Church.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November 10th, 1909.

Mr. L.M.Hussbaum,

Storm Lake, IOWA.

Dear Sir:

Your kind note of October 18th, already acknowledged in my absence from the country, was handed to me on my return from South America. I appreciate very much the cordiality of the invitation, but shall not be able to accept it. Whatever time I am able to get from my office work during the month of July is already promised to the Summer Conferences of the College Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible], S.C.

[illegible] Brother:

On returning from South America I find your most kind [illegible] of September 21st and 28th and October 5th. It would [illegible] pleasure to accept such an invitation, and I [illegible] gladly come for the Centennial anniversary of the Charleston Philosophical Society if it were possible for me to do so. [illegible]

[illegible] engaged for all of January and February, and have [illegible] engagements for all of my vacation in March and April. [illegible] and from time which I could come, I should [illegible] glad to accept your kind invitation.

[illegible] best wishes for the work of the society, and [illegible] personal regard, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] J. Lowe,

92 Lawrence Hall,

Cambridge, Mass.

My dear [illegible]-

I was glad to get your letter of the 20th November [illegible]. [illegible] it will not be possible for me to come to the [illegible] proposed meeting [illegible] committee.

[illegible] I am [illegible], the [illegible] will come up in [illegible]. [illegible] I would be glad to [illegible].

Mr. Kennedy's [illegible] character and interests of the man. [illegible] in America [illegible] that man's wealth should [illegible] of munificent and charitable and [illegible] make such a [illegible].

With [illegible] regards,

[illegible]

[illegible] 1896.

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Todd:-

[illegible] I learned [illegible] you had been here and had returned to London only a few days before [illegible] I was very [illegible] having the pleasure of seeing you.

The arrangements for the lectures which were sketched out [illegible] will be [illegible] a day or two before January 16th, when the lectures are to begin.

Very faithfully yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] of wide no [illegible]. I [illegible] misses in [illegible] of South [illegible] calm; still, [illegible] once more in [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] his Church in St. Paul's, [illegible], and his address is, [illegible] Place, London, [illegible]. I know that he will be delighted at the prospect of having Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] in his Church.

I am writing to [illegible] Washington [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Miller, who is [illegible] of the [illegible] affairs, in the State Department, [illegible] Japanese Legation, [illegible] I can imagine what [illegible] to many [illegible] will be [illegible].

Mr. Kennedy's [illegible] evidence of the real character and interests of the man. I don't believe there is [illegible] in America, [illegible] knowledge of [illegible]

It is good to be home again, where there is a chance of [illegible] friends and where one is in living touch again with all the great living movements. Still, there is a compensation in being [illegible] all the rush and turmoil here. One gets a rest of mind [illegible] steadiness of perspective which he finds it hard to keep, plunged once more in the old tumult.

I hope it may not be long before you can drop in. I received, some place in South America, your letter of July 24th with the papers regarding the Lucknow Conference. I do not expect to be able to be there, but I shall be glad, of course, to write any paper which you may wish me to prepare, although I wonder whether the subject which you have suggested for me to open might not be better treated by some missionary. I should think, judging from his book, [illegible] "[illegible] in a Persian Town," that Napier Malcolm would be a good man to open that subject. I have an impression, however, that some one told me that he has not been well, but that may have been a wrong report, or he may have fully recovered. This is not an attempt to shirk anything. Whatever your Committee assigns to me, if you wish me to [illegible] in view of the possibility of my being there, I shall be [illegible] to do.

Ever affectionately, [illegible]

Pict

November 18th, 1909.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,
71 East Elm Street,
Chicago, Ill.

I got home on Wednesday evening, October 27th, and back to the office on Friday, October 29th, where I found the Diamond Pond Round Robin, which had not been forwarded to me although I knew of its existence from Mrs. Snyder's letter, which had been sent on to Colombia. I was delighted to get these letters from the friends who are dearer than I can say, and whose fellowship this Summer was the thing I most missed next to home. This was the first Summer since Margaret was a little baby that we missed being at Diamond Pond. Such a loss brought home to one all the more keenly the value and dearness of that Summer fellowship. And I can't tell you how I missed the tramps with you, and the music of the brooks and the good nights in the woods. It seems almost unbearable to get back home and to have you way off in Chicago instead of near by. I am just hungry for a good old hug of you.

I never had any expectation of being at the State Brotherhood meeting in Illinois. I never promised to be there, and only know of the meeting when I got back to New York. I wrote at once that I could not come, as I had already promised to be at the Laymen's Convention in Washington.

I received today a letter from Deacon, which you will be interested to see. We must hold on to him and encourage him to believe

on the better possibilities for himself. I have written to him that he is dead mistaken in thinking that he has given up the fight, - that he has not given it up and can't give it up for two simple reason that God will never let him, and that however sceptical he may feel about it, the day is coming when he will be his true self, and not the false self that he thinks himself to be now.

I am afraid I sha'n't be getting out to Chicago in the near future. I have all I can look after for this month and next, and then immediately after the Volunteer Convention I must go to Scotland for two months.

I heard Andrew Stevenson at the Laymen's Convention in New York, and it was good to have his good report of what you have already been able to do in Chicago. I know that God will bless you more and more there and throughout the whole Church.

There is a lot to tell you about the trip in South America. I don't make sure that a copy of my report to the Board, in case it is wanted, is sent to you.

With warmest love to all, I am

Ever your affectionate friend,

and God bless.

[illegible]

Mr. Dwight W. Feist,

Stanford University,

California.

My dear Mr. Feist:

Returning to my office a few days ago, after an extended absence, I found your kind note of September 22nd. I do not expect to visit the Pacific Coast this year or next, and have other engagements which would make it impossible for me to go out.

Perhaps you may be able to get the help of some of the men who will be on the Coast in connection with the Convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement this year. You could learn [illegible] Avenue, New York City, the General Secretary of the Movement.

I remember with very much pleasure my visit to Stanford and Berkeley and other institutions on the Coast some years ago, and should rejoice if there were any prospect of coming back again.

[illegible]ncerely yours,

Dictated [illegible]

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. Charles K. Swartz,

Johns-Hopkins University,

Baltimore, MD.

My dear Mr. Swartz:

Your kind note of November 3rd has been received. I have already heard from Dr. Holmes and written to him that while I should be glad to help if I could, my absence from the country for most of the Winter, and the other engagements which I have already made, will prevent my coming down for the time that he suggested. I am very sorry, because I do appreciate the importance of the opportunity [illegible], and I hope that you may find someone who can give you just the help that you need. I would suggest [illegible] Mr. [illegible] College Department of the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A., whose address is 124 East 28th Street, New York City.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated but [illegible].

Novemb r 11th, 1909.

[illegible] St.John,

[illegible] Choate School,

Wallingford, CONN.

My dear Mr. St.John:

On returning to my office, a few days ago, from an [illegible] I found your kind note of Septe ber 1st. I wish I might come up to visit the Choate School, but I have [illegible] after the holidays to be gone for several [illegible] this will cut down the Sundays available for school [illegible], and I am afraid it will not be possible [illegible] Wallingford this year. If [illegible] time later I can come, I shall be happy to do so.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

November 11th, 1909.

Miss Katherine Mumford,

National Park Seminary,

Forest Glen, MD.

Dear Miss Mumford:

Miss Emily C. Taylor has written asking me to reply directly to you with reference to her cordial invitation to me to visit the Seminary. I wish that it were possible to accept this invitation, but I have only one appointment in Washington this fall or Winter, and that is on November 11th, and I shall not have time in connection with it to get out to the Seminary, much as I should enjoy doing so if I could.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. L.S.Begent,

150 Broadway,

New York City.

Dear Mr. Begent:

On returning to New York after an extended absence a few days ago, I found a memorandum of your kind invitation to speak at Stamford some Sunday after the 7th of November and before the middle of December. I am sorry to say that all these Sundays are already engaged.

There is a possibility that through a misunderstanding one of them may be free, but I fear that if it is I shall have to accept some other precedent invitation and forego the pleasure of coming to Stamford again.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Miss Alice Davidson,

The Essex,

Madison Ave.& 56th Street,N.Y.

My dear Miss Davidson:

I am sorry to have to say that the date of a series of lectures at Princeton Theological Seminary, which I promised to give before my visit to South America, has been fixed for November 29th to December 3rd. They come from five to six o'clock, but I cannot get away from Princeton, I believe, until almost eight o'clock in the evening, so that I could not get back in time for the meeting at the University Place Church House on December 2nd. I am sorry, as I should have been glad to come that night if I could.

With warm regard to your mother and yourself, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 10th, 1909.

The Rev. David L. Robert,

Mexico, New York.

My dear Mr. Robert:

Your kind note of June 26th with reference to the Centennial Anniversary of the Mexico Church, to be observed next Fall, came while I was out of the country but was handed to me on my return. I should be glad if it were possible to come, but I fear that it will not be. That is just the season of the Synod Meetings, and next Fall my assignment of Synods will probably take me out into the West and will make it impossible to fill my engagements here in the East at that time.

I hope that you may be able to get up a good program for the Centennial, and that it may bring great stimulus to the Church.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated November 4th.

November 10th, 1909.

Rev. Alfred T. Graham,

Lexington, Va.

My dear Mr. Graham:

Your kind note of August 25th, which has been already acknowledged, was handed to me on my return from South America a few days ago. I wish I could accept your cordial invitation. It is the kind that it is a pleasure to accept, but I have been away for six months, which leaves a good many things to be attended to in the office now, and I have to go away again early in January for two months' trip to South America, so that it will not be possible to accept your kind invitation for such College evangelistic work as your letter offers the opportunity of at Lexington.

With best wishes for the work, and with kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Lindsay Lovett.

Mrs. C.B.McIlvaine,

Box 389,

My dear Mrs. McIlvaine:

Your kind letter of September 30th, which had been already acknowledged, was handed to me on my return from South America a few days ago.

I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to promise to come for the meeting of the Society of the Beverly Church in May. That is the month when the closing conventions of the Laymen's Missionary Campaign are to be held, and as you know the General Assembly also is to meet then, and all the time I can hope to get away from the offices will be engaged in connection with these meetings. I am very sorry, as I should be glad to be of any help to you that I could.

I would suggest your trying to get some one of the

Rev. T.L.Johnson of Africa, whose address is 135 Duncan Avenue, Washington, Pa., or the Rev. M.M.Mateer, D.D. of China, whose address is in care of the Rev. W.S.Marquis, Rock Island, ILL.

Very cordially yours,

Acknowledged Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mrs. A.R.Jackson,

760 Grace Street,

Williamsport, PA.

My dear Mrs. Jackson:

Your note of November 4th, addressed to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, has been handed to me. I got back from South America on the 27th of last month and only wish that it were possible to come out to Williamsport to tell of the conditions and opportunities in South America, but I have already as many engagements as I can hope to fill between now and the end of December, and must leave then for another two months' absence abroad. I would suggest your trying to get some one of the best missionary speakers now at home on furlough for the evening meeting at Williamsport. I think you would find the Rev.W.C.Johnson of Africa, whose present address is 133 Duncan Avenue, Washington, PA. an interesting speaker. No one made a better impression than he at the Synod of New Jersey last Fall.

With best wishes for all your work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

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[illegible]el H.F.Cutler,

Mt. Hermon, Mass.

My dear Mr. Cutler:

Your kind note of November 5th, inviting Mrs. Speer and me to spend Thanksgiving with you at Mount Hermon, has been received.

It would be a great pleasure to us to come, but we shall not be able to leave home for that day. If I am able to get away alone, I ought to go out to my old home in Huntingdon, Pa., where I have not been for several years, and where I have relatives whom I ought to see.

We do gratefully appreciate your kind letter.

We are very [illegible] remembrance of the two schools in his will. I wish that other wealthy men might follow his example in the disposition of their estates.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov.6.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. Samuel McCrea Cavert,

29 Furman Street,

Schenectady, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Cavert:

Your kind note of November 4th has been received. I wish I could look forward to trying to be of service to you, but I do not see any possibility of my getting up to Union this Winter or early Spring. I have to be abroad, I think, some time in March, and have already a number of engagements made for the rest of the Spring. I would suggest your trying to get Mr. L.A.Colton of the International Committee, who is one of the most effective workers whom I know. I am only sorry that I shall not be able to come to give what little help I could.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1910.

The Rev. J.R.Adam, D.D.,

East Orange, N.J.

My dear Adam:

I was delighted to get your note on my return from what you describe as "a long fishing trip in South America," and what might just as well be described so, for while I never used a hook, I caught quite as many fish as you and Stone are accustomed to catch at Diamond Pond. There were many times when I longed for the fellowship and the joyful home life of the Camp. What had to be done had to be done, but I am not an applicant for any appointments which make it necessary to wander forth alone over the face of strange lands.

I wish I could come over to help you in connection with the missionary offering, but I have to go to Scotland the first week in January, and cannot take on any appointments for that week beyond those I already have. I expect to be away for all of January and February, and probably shall not be able to get back until early in March. I am going over in connection with the Duff Missionary Lectures, which are to be given at Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen, and in connection with which a series of missionary meetings have been arranged in various Scotch cities with a view to working up interest in the Edinburgh Conference to be held in June.

With warm regard to Mrs. Adam and Margaret from us all, I am

Ever cordially yours,

November 11th, 1909.

Miss H.R.Holloway,

225 East 7th Street,

Plainfield, N.J.

My dear Miss Holloway:

On getting back from New York, I found a memorandum of your kind invitation to me to speak at your Friday evening Missionary Meeting some time in January. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to come. I expect to go abroad again immediately after New Years, to be gone all of January and February.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

[illegible] 11th, 1909.

Mr. Thomas S. Baker,

Port Deposit, MD.

My dear Mr. Baker:

Your kind note of July 8th was acknowledged during my absence from the country, from which I returned only a few [illegible] to have to say that I [illegible] have engagements for the first Sunday of each month of the School year. I should have had one or two Sundays free but for the necessity of going abroad again in January on a trip from which I will not get back until after the first Sunday in March.

Regretting that it will not be possible to visit the Tome School this year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov. 8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. D.O.Meese,

Murray Dodge Hall,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Meese:

I am writing as soon as possible after getting back from [illegible], in [illegible] to your note of [illegible] 8th. I have to be in Princeton every afternoon of the week of November 29th-December 3rd, and if you have no arrangements for the meeting on December 2nd, that would be much more convenient for me than any evening or later date. If you have this evening already provided for, I will do the best I can to arrange to come down some other evening. January and February and the first part of March are out of the question for me, as I have to be abroad again at that time.

I hope that the work of the year has opened well, and with best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

D[illegible]

[illegible], 1910.

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[illegible]:

Your kind letter of May 4th, which came and was answered immediately after my departure for South America last [illegible] days ago. I am sorry to have to say that it does not seem likely that I can come for the Commencement Address next June, as the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE is to be held in Edinburgh that month, and I shall probably have to be there, though I should much prefer to stay home. If I am at home, and it is possible to come, I shall be glad to do so, but I think the prospect is very slight.

I should like very much to see the Kingsley School, which I have known a long while and more intimately because of the connections to which you refer. Your son Charles I know well, and esteem him as every one who knows him esteems him. I am glad that he is to be in the School this year, and that he has the prospect of the great life work before him in China.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

November 11th, 1909.

Mrs. Charles H. Knox,

756 Madison Avenue,

New York City.

Dear Mrs. Knox:

While I was still away from New York Mr. Thomas called with a cordial invitation in your name to a meeting of the Knox Memorial Bible Class some Sunday afternoon in March or April. I appreciate very much your kindly thought, but I have already engagements for all my Sundays in those two months, and shall not be able to have the pleasure of coming to speak to the Class.

I understand that Mr. Ward W. Adair, a business man connected with the Warburton Investment Company, is a most effective speaker, and I should think that he would be a good man to get.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov. 8th.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. C.A.Warburton,

Y.M.C.A.,

Toronto, Ont., CANADA.

My dear Mr. Warburton:

I was delighted to learn, just before going away, that you had accepted the call to the Association in Toronto. I had no doubt that you were following what you thought was the path of duty in going into business, and I rejoice that the same path has led you to Toronto and back into Christian work that takes all your time and strength.

I was very glad to hear of Mr. Adair, and have already suggested his name in reply to several enquiries, and shall be glad to do so still more.

With ever warm regard, I am

Your sincere friend,

[illegible] David.

November 11th, 1909:

Mr. Theodore Romaine,

241 Main Street,

Hackensack, N.J.

My dear Mr. Romaine:

Replying to your note of September 4th, acknowledged during my absence from the country, I would say that I appreciate very much your cordial invitation, and wish that I could be of service to the Laymen's League, but I have already engagements for all of the third Sunday's of the months until next Spring.

I shall be very glad to be of any service to you in finding suitable men, and would suggest the names of Mr. Ward W. Adair of the Warburton Investment Company, 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.; Mr. Samuel McCune Lindsay, whose home is in Englewood, N.J. and who is an expert in philanthropy and charitable work; the Rev. Thornton B. Penfield, one of the agents of the College Department of the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A., whose home is also in Englewood, N.J.

Very sincerely yours,

November 11th, 1909.

Miss Anna V. Davis,
56 Clay Street,
Newark, N.J.

Dear Miss Davis:

Your kind note of the 26th has been received, and I wish I could write at once accepting your invitation, but I have already tentative engagements for all my Sundays until the middle of May. I have to go abroad again after the holidays and shall not get back until some time in March, and my provisional schedule is already full for both March and April.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov. 8.

November 11th, 1909.

The Rev. J. Ross Stevenson, D.D.,
Brown Memorial Manse,
Baltimore, MD.

My dear Ross:

It is good to get back again, but it is woeful not to have you nearer at hand than Baltimore. Still, I know how happy you must be in the new field and how happy the people are to have you.

I hope you will be coming up soon to a Board Meeting or to some other engagement in New York, so that it may be possible to see you again.

I am assuming that the tentative arrangement we talked over regarding Sundays for the Fifth Avenue Church is off now, and that I can make other provision for these Sundays. This is correct, is it not ?

With warm regards to Mrs. Stevenson and yourself,

I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. Henry W. Frost,

235 School Lane,

Germantown, Phila., PA.

My dear Mr. Frost:

I returned from South America on the 27th of last month, and you will know what a joy it was to get back again. Not the least of the pleasures of home-coming is the nearness to old friends. I never appreciated as much the blessings of friendship, or missed as much the joys of the familiar fellowships as during this last Summer. I hope it may not be long before I see you again. I felt especially the loss of the day at Princeton and all that that has come to mean to us.

Mrs. Speer and the children were all well when I got back, and we have had some happy days together since my coming, which I have had the less compunction of conscience in taking, as I must soon again leave my family, this time going to Scotland for January and February.

I hope that you and Mrs. Frost and all the children are well, and that all the work of the Mission is prospering.

Since coming back your note of May 10th has been handed to me, and I have been trying to recall the year of that Conference at Heightstown. My impression is that it was 1887, but I will not be sure. Mr. Wishard might know, for he was there, or I think we could get it from some of the old Princeton records.

I never knew, however, that that conference had anything to do with the beginning or the confirming of your missionary

thoughts, but I remember what an influence it had on me.

With warm regards to all the family, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Miss E.S.Creighton,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Miss Creighton:

Your kind note of September 28th was waiting for me when I returned from South America a few days ago. I shall be very glad to try to speak at the School some Sunday evening this year, but I am a little uncertain as yet as to what Sundays I shall have at home, and I have so few of them that I am a little loath to surrender any part of them, but some one Sunday evening at least, I shall surely try to come up. I am not sure whether I shall have any Sunday before the holidays, unless I am able to stay at home for December 12th, and after the holidays I have to be abroad for January and February, and probably the first Sunday in March, but after that I should hope to be at home for several Sundays in April and May.

As for the matter of an honorarium, of course I should not think of anything of the sort, but should be only too happy to have the opportunity of meeting the girls.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Professor George E. Vincent,
5737 Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Professor Vincent:

Your kind note of October 6th was received and acknowledged while I was still away in South America. I appreciate very much your cordial renewal of the invitation to come to Chautauqua. I am sorry that it has not been possible to come some of the preceding Summers that you have so kindly invited me, and I am sorry that it may not be possible to come this Summer. There are only three months in the Summer, and in June I shall probably be abroad in connection with the Edinburgh Missionary Conference. If I can get away for any vacation, I shall go for August. I have already promised that all the time I can get away from my office in July I will give to the Summer Bible Conferences of the College Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, and for years I have promised that as soon as it became possible to do anything more than this, I would go to the Summer Bible Conference of the Young Men's Christian Associations in my native state of Pennsylvania.

You speak of my having consistently declined to accept an invitation to Chautauqua, but several years ago I had the pleasure of accepting an invitation of yours to speak on a missionary day there, but I think you were away from Chautauqua at the time of my visit.

Very sincerely yours,

November 11th, 1909.

Miss Elizabeth L. Ely,

Greenwich, Conn.

My dear Miss Ely:

Your very interesting letter of September 11th was received and acknowledged while I was away in South America. I have spoken to Mrs. Speer about the matter, but neither one of us knows of a girl whom we could suggest at the present time. I hope that you have already found some one. If I learn of anyone who meets the conditions, I shall be glad to put her in communication with you.

Thank you very much for the invitation to come up to speak some Sunday afternoon during the School year, but my long absence in South America and the necessity of going abroad again early in January has reduced the number of Sundays available for schools and colleges, and I have already filled either tentatively or finally all those which I had free.

I am glad to know that everything is going so well in the School, and with kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. . Austin,

Ogontz, PA.

Dear Mr. Austin:

On returning to New York a few days ago I found your kind notes of August 3rd and October 20th. I do not expect to be in Philadelphia any Sunday this Winter or Spring, unless it should be a Sunday at the University of Pennsylvania in April. In that case, however, I will surely be speaking in the city in the evening, and could not get out to Ogontz. If I had an evening free I should be happy to come, and should very much enjoy speaking to the girls.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. William Lorne Scovil,

54 William Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Scovil:

Your kind note, returning my small check, has been received, and I need not say how much I appreciate Mr. Bulkley's characteristic kindness and all the considerate help which you have so cordially given.

Thank you very much; I am quite free from the little cold which I had the evening we got in, and which was due to some very sultry, humid weather we had in Colombia, and then to the change to a colder climate.

Thanking you again for all your kindness, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov. 8.

November 11th, 1909.

Sir Alexander R. Simpson,

52 Queen Street,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Sir Alexander:

Your very kind letter of October 22nd was received the day I returned to our offices from a six months' visit to the Missions in South America.

I do appreciate highly the most kindly invitation from Lady Simpson and yourself to be your guest while in Edinburgh. I remember gratefully your hospitality when I was last in Edinburgh some nine years ago, and it would be a great pleasure to be in your home again. Dr. Robson, however, has had charge of all the plans for my coming, and I have feared to make any engagements of any kind without consulting him, as I told him that I would leave everything in his hands and carry out whatever program he formed. I have written to him of your kind letter, and will write again on hearing from him, although he may himself communicate directly with you.

I am sorry to have to say that Mrs. Speer will not be able to come with me, and that I shall be in Scotland for these six or seven weeks alone.

With deep gratitude and with sincere regard for Lady Simpson and yourself, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

Mr. Charles H. Cahill,

Colebrook, N.H.

Dear Old Deacon:

I have just received to-day your letter of October 27th and am writing at once, sending one copy of my letter to East Columbia and another to Colebrook, so as to be sure to reach you.

You may be sure that again and again and again this last year I have been thinking of you. One of the first things I did after getting back was to ask about you. I had had a letter or two from Mr. Stone from Camp, one written just before the trip on which he expected to go fishing with you. I cannot tell you how my heart sank when I heard, not that you had been drinking again, but that you had given up the struggle. But I tell you, Deacon, you are mistaken in this. You hav'n't given up the struggle, and even if <u>you</u> have, <u>God</u> hasn't given it up, and you can't get away from <u>him</u>. He is in your heart and is not going to let you be satisfied. No man can love you as he does, or long for your deliverance as much as He does, but there are men, too, who never will give you up. It doesn't matter if we have to wait thirty or forty or fifty years. I am not going to give up nor dream for one moment that you can be satisfied with having gone back to the old thing again. You will come back to your own better manhood.

I am only sorry that I was such a poor friend and helper when you were down here. I can think of many things I ought to have done to help you, which I let other things which looked like duty take my time so that I couldn't do. But one thing I <u>can</u> do and

Well, is to keep hoping and believing for you, and I tell you solemnly, I'll never give up hoping for you and believing in you until you and I are both dead, and I guess that I won't need to give up then.

You tell me not to answer your letter and not to hate you. But it's your dear old heart, Deacon, you can't make me hate you. I am just as much your friend as ever and more, and I only wish that I could see you now, and that you were down here where I could see you. I'd like to see you, even if you are doing things that would break your friends' hearts if hearts ever broke.

But some day you are going to stop all this. That's as sure as the sunset and the sunrise. You are going to stop it and stop it forever, and you are going to be the clean, true, loving and lovable man that God meant you to be, standing straight up on your feet, and helping other men who are down. There is no use in your contradicting me or in your disbelieving it, because down in the bottom of your heart you know that it is true. The love of God is going to save you yet, and your own true and better self is going to prevail.

Please write to me often, and if you want any books or papers let me know.

I haven't seen any of the Camp Diamond people except Mr. Erdman. I have had good letters from them, and I am hungry to see John Stone and others. Nash Huyler I saw the Sunday after I got home, but not to have a talk with him. I understand he has left the Hill School, where I think he had stayed and fought it out. Don't lay up any of the boy's failures against him, and try to help him to be a stronger man by being yourself. Some day, through having won your own victory, you are going to be able to help boys like this, just as you were helping Nash the days, Even though the fight was fierce you were on the winning side.

I am writing out at home to-day, and I wish we had you - the real true you, - the Deacon that was for a little while - he is going to be again some day. You can't fight him off - . He is coming back to you again and again and again, until you will let him stay and leave behind forever the Deacon - can't you.

God bless you, Deacon, and give you new hope and victory.

Always your loving friend,

d Nov.8th.

November 12th, 1909.

Rev. A.P.Fitt,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Mr. Fitt:

I returned from South America a fortnight ago to-morrow and am just beginning to catch up withthe letters. I was very much interested to learn, through your note of July 28th, of your new plans, and earnestly wish you success.

The Winona Company never paid any royalties on the little booklet on the Second Coming. I believe they promised to do so, but they never did and I never wrote to them on the subject. You are entirely welcome to it without any royalty obligation if you are all secure on the matter of the copyright, which was taken out by the Winona Company in its own name in 1903.

The little book published by Robert Scott entitled "The Snare of Hardness" has not been issued in this country. It was published in the Record of Christian Work as a Northfield address. That is the only form in which it has appeared, I believe, in this country.

I have never written out the address on "No Compromise," and have not thought of doing so.

I hope that you will be sure to stop in whenever you are down in New York. I shall be glad to learn more about your plans.

With kind regards to Mrs. Fitt and yourself, I am

Ever cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 12th, 1909.

Mr. C.S.Trumbull,

1021 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie:

Your good letter of October 27th was duly received. I am glad to have the memorandum of the editorial and the two articles for which you are counting on me. As to the other article on "The Peril of Money," I shall be glad to think that over and to write it if you don't find some better person. Having in remembrance Dr. Thompson's lecture at Princeton on "The Divine Order of Human Society," I cannot forbear wishing that you would him write that instead of me, or Mornay Williams would do it finely, and that would introduce a new name into the paper. But as I have said, if you don't find someone else, I will be glad to do it.

I found, among my letters on returning, your memorandum regarding the continuance of the Young People's Prayer Meeting topics. I shall be glad to go on with these, and shall try to send you within the next month or so the copy for January, February and March, as I shall be in Scotland, as you know, for January and February.

It was so good to see you, if only for a moment the other day. I hope that it will not be long before you are over again, and this time for a little longer stay.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 12th, 1909.

Mr. A.J.Elliott,

276 Greenwood Avenue,

Kankakee, ILL.

My dear Dad:

I got back from South America a few days ago and was glad to find your good letter of September 26th, acknowledging the photograph which Mrs. Speer sent you after I left home.

I had a great trip, and learned more than you can get in a college of education.

I appreciate your warm invitation for Geneva next Summer, and shall be glad to come if it is possible. It is too early yet to know just what I shall be able to do in June.

I hope that Mrs. Elliott is well, and that each day all things become newer and better for you both.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 13th, 1909.

Mrs. William H. Beeman,
519 - 32nd Avenue, North,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mrs. Beeman:

I was very much interested, on getting home from Santa Barbara the week before last, to hear of your marriage, and am so glad that your father was able to be with you to perform the ceremony. Mrs. Speer has shown me your letter to her, and I do hope that the new life which has begun so happily may grow ever richer and richer, and that both you and Mr. Beeman may be able together to render a better and truer service than could ever have been possible apart.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 13th, 1909.

Mr. John Chalmers Gillespie,

432 Graham Street,

Pittsburgh, PA.

My dear Chalmers:

On getting back, the other day, from a long trip in South America, Mrs. Speer gave me the notice of your marriage on October 19th. I want to send you and Mrs. Gillespie my heartiest congratulations. I trust that God may bless your lives with the very truest and best blessings.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 13th, 1909.

The Rev. Walter Russell Bowie,

c/o Mr. Laverack,

Buffalo, New York.

My dear Russell:

I have been off in South America for the last six months, and I have learned of your marriage on my return the week before last. I want to send my heartiest congratulations, and to wish for you and Mrs. Bowie the best and richest of lives.

Ever your friend,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 16th, 1909.

Mr. John R. Mott,
125 East 27th Street,
New York City.

My dear John:

Your letter of October 1st with reference to the Volunteer Convention, was waiting for me when I got back. I have written to Edinburgh to find when I am due there for the Duff Lectures, and have suggested that it would be best for me to get there for Sunday, January 16th, for the first lecture. If that is satisfactory, I could easily leave New York on January 6th and 7th and be there on time.

Of course, I shall be glad to do anything I can at the Rochester Convention, but the less that you find it necessary to call on me for, the better satisfied I shall be.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 13th, 1909.

Mrs. Gilbert E. Swoope,

Newville, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Swoope:

Your very kind note of November 5th has been received. I wish I could accept your good invitation for the first Thursday in April, but I already have appointments for the morning of each Thursday of the month, which would make it impossible for me to get over to Chambersburg in time for the evening meeting.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 13th, 1909.

Miss Mary Caswell,

Wellesley, Mass.

My dear Miss Caswell:

I received, yesterday, your kind note of November 6th, and have written a number of letters with a view to getting my appointments for next March settled. I have been away for six months, and it is not easy to get everything clearly in hand. There has been some little confusion over my appointments at Yale, and some other tentative engagements covering the last two Sundays of the month, which I have also written to clear up. I shall let you know as soon as I can know myself whether it will be possible for me to come to Wellesley for March 20th. In case I can get to the vicinity of Boston for only one Sunday that spring, I think I must go to Andover, where I feel my first obligation to be. It is a little harder to arrange everything this year, not only because I have already been away so long, but also because I must go abroad again for January and February.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 18th, 1909.

Principal Alfred E. Stearns,

Andover, Mass.

My dear Al:

I returned a few days ago from a six months trip to South America, and have been busy ever since reading up back correspondence and trying to gather up all the threads. I notice, in one of the Andover bulletins, that I am down as one of the preachers for the Spring term at the School, and I write to ask whether I had named any day. On the schedule which I find here, Andover doesn't seem to be down, and I am trying to arrange everything now so as to include what seems to me to have first claim. In case I didn't arrange for any definite day, could you let me know what Sundays are free, and I can then let you know whether any free day of mine corresponds.

I hope that you and Mrs. Stearns and the children had a good Summer. I missed the New Hampshire air and the exhiliration of the woods, and especially those trips which we had promised ourselves.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Stearns, I am

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.8.

November 11th, 1909.

The Rev. Sherman R. Doyle, D.D.,
4717 Springfield Avenue,
Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Dr. Doyle:

Your kind note of Saturday is just received. I had not known that I was down on the program of the Laymen's Movement Convention in Philadelphia, and do not know that it will now be possible to arrange to attend. Your kind letter is the first intimation that I have had that I was expected to be there. I shall take the matter up at once, and if I find that I can come shall be glad to do so, but I very much fear that it will not be possible to be in Philadelphia for Sunday, the 21st.

I am dictating at home to-day, but shall take up the matter at once with Dr. Halsey and Mr. McConaughy on reaching the office to-morrow, and we will be glad to do anything we can to help you in your purpose with regard to your Church.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.6.

P.S. I have since been able to arrange to go to Phila for Sunday
[illegible] at the request of Mr. McConaughy, as Dr. Jenkins has gone to the

November 15th, 1909.

Rev. C.A.P.Manvier,

1409 South Broad Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

Dear Rooney:

I have been able to arrange to come over to Philadelphia for November 21st, and told David McConaughy at Washington on Monday, and he said he would telegraph at once to you. I have a letter from Dr. Doyle which I enclose. I have written to him that I left my arrangements for Sunday entirely in your hands, and asked him to see you. I shall be glad to do whatever you think will best help the cause.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov. 13th.

Enclosure.

November 14th, 1926.

Mr. Charles L. Trumbull,

1331 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie,

I am coming over to Philadelphia for the coming Sunday, to speak at the Fourth Church in the morning and the Holland Memorial in the evening, and at some students' meeting which Janvier is arranging for the afternoon. Will it be entirely convenient if I accept your invitation to come and stay with you? I have a note, characteristically kind, from Mrs. Turner, inviting me to be her guest and if I am going elsewhere at least to come to her house for dinner on Sunday, and I have told her that I would be glad to come for dinner, but that you had been good enough just a few days before to tell me to be sure to come and stay with you. I am afraid that something may have arisen, however, to make it inconvenient for you and Aline to have me. If not, I shall be glad to come, as promised, but if it is, please do not hesitate to say so, so that I can accept Mrs. Turner's invitation. I am not sure when I shall be coming over on Saturday. It depends on whether I am needed at a Saturday evening meeting or not.

Ever affectionately yours,

November 18th, 1905.

Rev. C. A. R. Janvier, D.D.,

1409 South Broad St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Rodney,

Your note of the 16th is received, and I shall be glad to carry out any program that you arrange for Sunday. I shall be staying either with Mrs. Turner or Charlie Trumbull, and if with Charlie Trumbull shall be dining with Mrs. Turner Sunday noon.

Is the Sunday afternoon meeting for students to be a missionary meeting or evangelistic, and where will it be held? Can you tell me whether I am down for anything on Saturday evening, as if I am not, I shall not be coming over until late that night. I have not heard from Campbell White as to whether I was down for any part of the Saturday program.

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Bible House,

New York City.

My dear Dr. [illegible]

Your kind note of November 15th is at hand. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to attend the Annual Meeting of the Executive Committee and other committees of the Federal Council in Louisville, December 7th to 9th. I have already other engagements which will make it impossible for me to come, but I hope that you may have an unusually good meeting.

Very faithfully yours.

November 1[illegible], 190[illegible].

Edwin M. Bulkley,

54 William Street,

New York City.

My dear Ned,

I thank you very much for your kind note of yesterday. I shall certainly plan to be at the meeting of the Mount Vernon Trustees [illegible], and in the meantime to accept your invitation to come down at time for the luncheon at the Downtown Club an hour before the meeting of the Trustees.

Ever your friend,

Mr. Edgar F. Gordon,

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Gordon,

Your kind message regarding the meeting of the Young Men's [illegible] Day, December 25th, has been received. I should be very glad to accept the invitation if I were free for that evening, but I have to be down at Princeton Theological Seminary that week, delivering a course of missionary lectures there.

Very faithfully yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Chandler:

I enclose, herewith, the copy of the [illegible] [illegible] a copy of Lowell, [illegible] I should like to send you some more [illegible] but I fear I cannot be able to send for all the copy [illegible]

Very affectionately yours,

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[illegible] Nov.17.

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[illegible] and shall not have another o[illegible]

[illegible] if I may, sometime in the afternoon, [illegible] Sunday evening, if that will be convenient. I [illegible] and [illegible] church in the evening. I shall be staying at [illegible]

[illegible]

December 1911, [illegible]

The Rev. John H. Strong,

Rochester Theological Seminary,

Rochester, New York.

My dear John:

It is a lovely picture of you and the baby. It is a sort of civilized way of returning to primitive devices. All through south America this last Summer we saw the babies carried in just that way, only in a folded up blanket instead of a basket. The plan is a fine one, and I think we will have to get it into use next Summer. My only fear is that the older children will think that the fund of that kind of travel is so great that they will insist on sharing it.

Thank you ever so much for your invitation to come and stay with you, which will be altogether irresistible, unless, as I fear will be the case, I shall have to stay at whatever hotel may be made the headquarters of the Convention, in order to be present at the constant conferences which fill up the time between meetings. I have been at all the Volunteer Conventions now, and have found that it is practically indispensable to be at the central headquarters, but if I am not there, I shall certainly be with you, and if I am there, I shall certainly have often to see you.

With warm regards from us all, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible]ed Nov. 17.

The Rev. Lewis Seymour Podge,

[illegible]

Lancaster, Pa.

My dear Lew:

Your good letter of the 15th has been received, and Mrs. Speer and Elliott and Margaret have all been delighted to [illegible] your greetings. Elliott is devoted to the pedometer. Mrs. Speer bids me tell you, in answer to your enquiry whether it is wearing out, that the pedometer is all right, but there are days when it wears out the boy. Still, he gets up the next morning as lively as ever. I wish you could come over and see him. Mrs. Speer and I both appreciate that kind word regarding him.

I wish I could come over some Sunday soon to be with you, but I have all my engagements full until the holidays, and I must leave for Scotland for some missionary lectures and addresses and work preparatory to the COLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE to be held next Jan. and shall not return until some time in March, and all my Sundays in March and April are tied up, and some of them, I am sorry to say, tied up with two or three strings. As to May I am still a little uncertain. I don't know how my General Assembly plans will shape themselves, and also the final work of the Laymen's Missionary Campaign. But once there if I can come, you may be sure that I shall be glad to

[illegible]

Chicago, [illegible]

My dear [illegible]:

[illegible] your letter which has been received. I don't remember the time that I was to be at the Illinois Brotherhood [illegible] or [illegible]. [illegible] engagement [illegible] to me, and knew nothing of it until I returned from South America a little over a fortnight ago, and I had [illegible] an engagement [illegible] at the Laymen's Missionary Convention in Washington. You may be sure that if I had been in Chicago one day sooner [illegible], I would certainly have come over to the [illegible] to find you.

[illegible] really, in the [illegible] as [illegible] Edinburgh. There are [illegible] to be few visitors at the Edinburgh Missionary Conference. I have not been able to find out. The best thing would be to [illegible] appointed a delegate, but Dr. [illegible] says that the [illegible] is full and that there are a whole lot of applicants waiting. I am trying to tell him to keep his eye out for a good [illegible]-man for you, however, and I shall write to [illegible]. Merrill, who is Secretary of the American Committee, being the [illegible] to [illegible] as great a [illegible] civilized [illegible] possibilities as a non-delegate one.

With [illegible] regard to Mr. [illegible], I am

[illegible] Gorman,

124 East 28th Street,

New York City.

Dear Fred:

Thank you very much for your good letter of Nov 6th. I have been intending to write you a note of welcome back from your [illegible] abroad. I hope that you have had a good time, - the very best of times. I had a splendid trip in South America, and shall be glad to tell you about it some time. I have written a long and full report, which will be printed, I think, and I shall see that you get a copy of it.

I hope that you and Mrs. Goodnow are well, and with warm regards, I am

Affectionately your friend,

Dictated Nov. 17.

November 19th, 1909.

The Rev. Boyd Edwards,

438 - 7th Street,

Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Boyd:

Your kind note of November 10th was duly received. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to help you in February, but I expect to be in Cleveland at that time. I have some missionary lectures that may be delivered there, and must hope to give some time, also, to preparations for the World Missionary Conference in June. I shall have to leave home just after the Student Volunteer convention, so that I cannot get back until some time in March.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov. 17th,

The Rev. [illegible],

[illegible],

Newport, Rhode Island.

My Dear Stanley:

I was very sorry to miss seeing you the other day. I wish you had come [illegible]. Please don't fail to [illegible] the [illegible] the coming term.

I will [illegible] middle of June help in the proposed meetings at Newport, but the Sunday after Thanksgiving I will be finishing a course of [illegible] lectures at [illegible], and the last week in December I have to be at the Student Volunteer Convention in Detroit. I hope that you may be able to arrange the meeting, however, and that it may do real good.

I am very sorry that I was away last [illegible] at the time of the [illegible]. [illegible] hope to be [illegible] on the [illegible].

Ever your friend,

Mrs. Janet T. Wells,

1700 Connecticut Avenue,

My dear Mrs. Wells:

Mrs. Spear showed me your very kind [illegible] Washington at the time of [illegible] it would have been a very great pleasure to accept your invitation, and I do thoroughly appreciate your kindness in asking me.

November 20th, 1[illegible],

Miss Mary Weddell,

602 M Street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Weddell,

I thank you very much for your kind invitation in behalf of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Central Presbyterian Church to come down for your Praise Service some Sunday night before the middle of December. I am very sorry that it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation, but I have already engagements for all my Sundays until next May.

Very cordially yours,

Whitfield, N.J.

My dear Fred:

I am sorry to have missed seeing you yesterday. I had hoped to see you before this, and having failed, set down a memorandum to write to you to-day. I hope that when you are up here the next time, you will be sure to stop in.

I was at the Hill on Sunday, and saw John Crosby of Lenox, and I wish I might see her and you. It has been of use to write while I was alone, and I trust that my letter to you goes safely. We had a fine trip and learned much. We one and we then through these lands and not come back with a heavy heart. The wrongs are simply awful, and the religious forces of Europe and the United States, and even the foreign missionary organization of the Roman Catholic Church, pass South America carelessly by.

Please give my love to Mrs. Andrews and Lorna.

Ever affectionately yours,

Written Nov. 19th.

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[illegible] been [illegible] that you [illegible] the Philadelphia [illegible] suggestion of [illegible] said it [illegible] It is already April [illegible]th and I [illegible] Cincinnati, and [illegible]

It is just three weeks ago this evening that I got back, [illegible] was [illegible] at home. [illegible] own country seems more [illegible], more progressive, more upright, more satisfactory, than [illegible] all its faults, it is a heavenly land in comparison [illegible] countries where we were travelling. I have written [illegible] report [illegible] all for the Board, [illegible] will, of course, be [illegible] to you if [illegible] it is printed.

I [illegible] sorry to hear that you have not been well, and [illegible] the going [illegible] the same [illegible] to be. [illegible]

Very cordially yours.

[illegible] March, 1909.

[illegible] Little,
[illegible] of Commerce Chambers,
[illegible] Sparks Street,
[illegible], Ont., Canada.

My dear Miss Little:

The very kind letter signed by Mrs. Falconer and yourself in reference to the 7th National Convention of your association in Ottawa next November, has been received. I have not yet made arrangements as far ahead as next November, save at certain engagements and fixed regularly in the meetings of our Board. I am afraid that this last would make it impossible for me to come to Ottawa for November 8th, as it would require me to be in San Francisco on Friday, which our Board will hold its first November meeting. [illegible] this, I don't know whether I could get away from my own immediate obligations at that time. I can only say that if it were possible to come, it would be an unqualified pleasure to accept your cordial invitation.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] H.W.B.

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Miss Mary Preene Fuller,

Smith College,

My dear Mary,

Elliott showed me your good letters to him on the line of questions. He is complained about this that or that, I have been able to read it all, and in that way it resembled the letters which I had written, from South America. I got safely back three weeks ago tonight. Having had a splendid trip with no adventures or accidents or mishaps of any kind, and with wonderful experiences and a wonderful time. Things about Trade Unions I learned, but have little. As a matter of fact, I found [illegible] more, [illegible] that I haven't valued on, but certainly, the only way to know people is to go and live among them. Prescott's "Conquest of Peru" would have undergone a revised edition if Prescott had lived to have been able to visit Peru. I have written a long report on everything for the Board, and of course Lindsay will try to give you a [illegible] I was two months in Brazil, one month in Chile, one month in Bolivia, and [illegible] months in Argentina, and then Bolivia, [illegible] the Andes, [illegible] and a seven-hundred-mounted trip around through the Andes [illegible] Argentina. [illegible] well [illegible], the [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] the [illegible]

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Dear Miller [illegible]

for which is coming after, in order t[illegible] January, and February, for some mind on my lecture [illegible]

It has been lovely weather since I [illegible] never enjoyed or believed in my own country more.

With much love from us all, I am

Your sincere friend,

dictated Jan. 16.

November 1st, 1909.

Mr. [illegible] C. Cook,
[illegible] Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, PA.

Dear [illegible]

It was good to get your note last week, but I was sorry [illegible] I took over your wild cat skin which Mr. McCall [illegible] you, and left it at your house. My lion skin is lying out on [illegible] the hall, looking very imposing, especially with the big [illegible]

[illegible] has been filled with admiration at the vicuna [illegible] time. Mamma took the guanaco rug over to Harrisburg to [illegible] for an automobile rug. The others we are keeping, and [illegible] have an evening coat made out of the finer vicuna rug.

I have been making a number of speeches already on South [illegible], and next week have two or three more, one to be a lantern [illegible] lecture, for which I wish I had colored slides of some of our [illegible] especially that one of the idiot at large at La Dorado.

We had a fine Summer, and it is lovely to look back over [illegible] cannot tell you how grateful I am to you for going along. [illegible] see you the next time I come over to the Hill.

With much love from us all, I am

Ever affectionately yours.

November [illegible], 1929.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,

71 East Elm Street,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear John:

Hans got out the enclosed from the "Sun" during the Summer, and sent it to me in South America. I thought it best among my papers and send it on to you, so that you may have another theme in your repertoire. This one, I guess is not, differs little from the expressive music which you taught the Camp.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov. 17.

Enclosure.

November [illegible], 1909.

Miss Edith C. Frick

Norristown, Pa.

My dear Miss Frick:

I cannot tell you how much obliged I am to you and all the Diamond Island friends for the splendid letters which were awaiting me when I got home, as the uncertainty of our movements at the end made it a little insecure to send letters after us.

I am sorry that you weren't able to develop a substitute clown. If I had foreseen that I was to be away this Summer I might have prepared an understudy last year, but I could not have given him my skill in costuming.

I hope that you all had a good Summer and laid up health and strength for the Winter.

With kindest regards from us all, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov. 17.

November 22nd, 1909.

Mr. [illegible] C. [illegible],

[illegible], Pa

My dear [illegible]:

I got home just three weeks ago to-day, and hope that it isn't going to be too long before I get a glimpse of you. It was so good, on getting back, to find the bundle of Camp Diamond letters, which had not been forwarded as there was some uncertainty as to our movements toward the last, and all mail had been held in New York. It was very good of you all to write those letters, and I did especially appreciate your dear letter and Mrs. Coleman's. I missed Camp more than I can tell you. The home friendships never seemed dearer than this Summer when I was away from them, and this fall when I came back to them. This was the first Summer I have spent Camp now for many years, and it doesn't seem like a right year without that blessed fellowship and the uplifting invigoration of that air.

As you see by the papers, we had a fine trip. There were no accidents or mishaps or illnesses of any sort, and I think we saw as much in six weeks as it would be possible to take in. I have written out a full report of it and have just got it off to the printer next week. I shall see, of course, that you get a copy of it. We spent a month in Palestine. I didn't get over on your place, but went up the Magdalena and over the Cordillera to Bogota. It is a fine country, one of the most attractive countries and lovely people I saw, and one of the most pathetic in the waste and undevelopment of it.

I mustn't begin to tell you about our trip, though, or I shall not get through. Some time before long I hope we may have a chance to talk it all over.

Many, many times during the Summer I thought of you and rejoiced in

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[illegible] your joy.

With much love to Mrs. Coleman and [illegible] I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov. 17

Mr. R. J. Bigger,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Bigger,

Your kind note of November [illegible] is just at hand. I would be very much inclined to accept your invitation to attend your summer conference in July, but I do not expect to be in Europe at that time. If I go to the World's Missionary Conference in Edinburgh, my present plan is to return immediately to the United States after the close of the conference.

Thanking you, however, very much, I am,

Yours sincerely,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. McMillan,

I do thank you heartily for your most kind invitation to speak at the meeting of the Brooklyn Presbyterian Union in January. I would be glad to come if I were to be in the country, but I expect to go abroad again immediately after the holidays, to be gone until sometime in March. I expect to spend the whole time in Scotland, delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen, and participating in the preparations for the World Missionary Conference to be held at Edinburgh in June.

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible], 1919.

Mr. Anson Phelps Stokes,

Yale University,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Stokes,

I wrote a letter in reply to your kind note of November 6th in reference to March 13th, but before sending it Mr. Vilas wrote of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and I assured, accordingly, that the proposal for March 13th would be off. I shall look forward to coming for the one Sunday on December 14th.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. William [illegible],

[illegible]

1 Madison Avenue, New York.

Dear Mr. Schieffelin,

I am sorry that I have an engagement to speak at Princeton on Thursday afternoon, December 2nd, at five o'clock, which will prevent my attending the meeting to prepare for the Laymen's Missionary Movement Campaign, and I trust that you have some good representatives of our Church on the Committee of Arrangements, so that we may take our full share in the preparations and the work of the campaign. I am giving your notes regarding the meeting to Mr. McCormick in order that he may be sure to be there or arrange to have someone else represent us.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] for the Westminster [illegible], and shall try to write it, if possible [illegible] Scotland, but if not, shall have it for you when you come back.

I was in Philadelphia over Sunday and would have come to [illegible] if my time had not been filled up either with meetings or other engagements, and I should have been very happy to come to St. Louis, but Dr. [illegible] invited me to Holland Memorial, and I was, of course, glad to go there. I was delighted in being there that my last time I was there it was when you were acting as pastor.

I have not been able to fix definitely the Spring engagements yet, but shall [illegible] to the Interior [illegible] and in that case, if there is no [illegible] I will be delighted to come to St. Louis.

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible]

November 24th, 1909.

The Rev. W. Knight Chaplin,

Milliston, Leydonstone,

London, N. E., England.

Dear Mr. Chaplin,

I thank you heartily for your kind note of November 18th, inviting me to be present at the Christian Endeavor Convention in Liverpool next May. I am sorry to have to say that I do not expect to be in England at that time, and cannot arrange to come over especially for any meetings then. It is the month during which the General Assembly of our church meets and even if I were not interested by that, I would be kept here by the necessities of our own office work.

Trusting that you may have a good convention, and thanking you for your kind letter, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

November 28th, 1909.

Rev. F.W.Johnson, D.D.,

Washington, N.J.

Please wire me whether you expect to occupy your pulpit next two Sundays.

Robert E. Speer,

156 Fifth Avenue.

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[illegible]ie,

Thank you very much for your note and the timetable. I shall be down on the train arriving a little after four in the afternoon, and then get the seven o'clock train back that night and on Wednesday and Friday nights. Tuesday night I [illegible] to the students [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible].

I [illegible] have [illegible] [illegible] which I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], I shall [illegible] sent [illegible] on Saturday morning, which would be time enough, I presume, to have them printed by Monday afternoon, but I am not absolutely sure that I can find time to do it.

Very affectionately yours,

November [illegible], 1909.

P. S. I have [illegible] lectures, which I [illegible] will be [illegible] for you to have printed by Monday afternoon. I enclose [illegible].

November 26th, 1898.

The Rev. W.G.Buehler,

Lakeville, CONN.;

My dear Mr. Buehler:

I think that Sunday is my first appointment at the School this year, and I shall be up to-morrow, Saturday afternoon, on the train leaving here at 3.25.

Very affectionately yours,

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[illegible]

Your kind note of November 21st reached me at home in England. I wish I could come up to [illegible] of some help to you, but I am going abroad again immediately after the holidays and shall not get home until somewhere in March, so that it will not be possible for me to come up for the memorial service. I trust that the object which you have in view may be fully attained.

Very sincerely yours.

[illegible] with [illegible].

[illegible] Alfred E. Stearns,

Andover, Mass.

My dear [illegible],

I was very glad to get your note of March 2 [illegible], and have still unanswered your kind letter about some Sunday at Andover in the Spring. Mr. Stearns has written about the dates, and I will let him know as soon as I can get my schedule in order.

With reference to the Bible class that you are going to teach, suggestions as to books would depend very largely on the line of study you are going to take up with the class. It seems to me that there are three different ways of studying the life of Christ and that any one of them is as much as one can hope to get a class over. The first would be the study of Christ's life in the ordinary sense, viz. a study of its incidents and its work, the development of his mission and all the things which enter into a biography. The second would be to take up the teachings and influence of Christ. The third would be to take up the study of his character, with the significance of his [illegible] and the deep and yet vitally practical question of his personality.

There are good books on all of these lines of study. Under the first, Stalker's Life of Christ is the simplest, beside which there are Edersheim's Life and Times of Jesus and Andrews' Life of Our Lord. There are some later books, like Bruce's, but I do not care for them, perhaps because of strong disagreement with some of his views. Under the second method, the books that would suggest themselves are Jones' Social Teachings of Jesus, Stalker's new book on the Teachings of Jesus according to the Synoptists, and beside which, among the larger books, are Weiss' Teachings of Jesus and Stevens' Teaching of Jesus. Under the third method, the best book would be Bushnell's

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[illegible] Jesus, Stalker's Image of Christ, Bruce's Kingdom, Bushnell's Wonderful Life of Christ and C. A. Gordon's Christ of Society.

The International Committee of the Y. M. C. A. has issued a number of good practical Bible courses on the life of Christ. I would suggest your getting from Mr. Charles S. Cooper, who is the Bible Study Secretary, 124 East 28th Street, New York City, a list of their courses. The easiest line of study is, of course, the first. The next easiest is the second, and the hardest, the third. Nevertheless, I prefer the third if you have students who have got something of a grounding in the first, but without a knowledge of the facts of Christ's life and also of his teaching, it is very hard to study intelligently his character. Perhaps the best thing to do would be to take the first line, but to subordinate the purely biographical features, putting in the other two methods of study, namely, the application of his teaching to life and the uniqueness of his character and personality.

Please let me know if I can be of any further help.

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible] Reese,

[illegible] Hall,

Princeton, N. J.

My dear Mr. Reese,

Your kind note of the 19th is received, and I shall look forward with [illegible] to speaking at the meeting on [illegible] 1. I will [illegible] the 7:45 train [illegible] that night, [illegible]. As I [illegible], [illegible] Hall, but [illegible] with all of [illegible] give me a full twenty minutes before having to leave for the train.

Very [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible] S. Edward [illegible]

[illegible]

Eastern Avenue & Dean Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Young,

Your very kind note of the 22nd is received. I had not forgotten your cordial invitation at the luncheon the other day, and only wish it might be possible for me to accept it. I have all my Sundays full, however, until next Spring, and have to go abroad again within a few weeks, to be gone until sometime in March, while I have more than I am going to be able to do for the few weeks before I leave. If, sometime after I come back, I can arrange to come over, I shall be happy to do so.

Very cordially yours,

November 28th, 1900.

Mr. Charles S. Cooper,

[illegible] East 28th St.,

New York City.

My dear Charles,

I was glad to get your letter of [illegible] in reference to the work of the Bible Study Department. If I can send any help toward the financial needs later, I shall be glad to do so, but just at present I cannot. I have had to [illegible] in the Foreign Missionary offering [illegible] for a little while, but I shall get it in before the fiscal year ends; but I have been away so much and have to be away so much in the near future, and all this, while on missionary business, has involved no little personal expense, so that I shall have to hold up on a few things which otherwise I should be very glad indeed to help.

With ever kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible] I shall not [illegible] [illegible] field but I care not for any of the other [illegible]. If I don't go to Edinburgh, then I can be of some help to you. I [illegible] know definitely, I think for some little time, although I really hope [illegible] that I shall go, having been appointed a delegate from our Board. I presume I ought to go, although I [illegible] big conventions and would rather stay at home.

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[illegible], 1[illegible]

Mr. W. A. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Will,

In reply to your letter with reference to a good [illegible] assistant pastor in the Presbyterian Church, I would suggest at once the name of the Rev. [illegible] Davies, one of our missionaries from China who will not be able to go back because of his wife's health, but he has already accepted a call to [illegible] near Philadelphia. I think, however, that some names that would be worth while for your inquirer to investigate would be the following:- The Rev. James Dunlap, Mt. Holly, N. J., the Rev. Frank Dixons, Burlington, [illegible], and the Rev. George C. Lemington, of New Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y.

Not knowing the church that you have in mind, all of these are only tentative suggestions because so much depends on the church's idiosyncrasies, but these are good names that occur to me in reply to your inquiry.

Instead of saying "Mr. [illegible]", I would say Mr. Holly.

Ever affectionately yours,

November [illegible], [illegible],

Mrs. Victor Speer,

[illegible] Lexington Avenue,

Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Anna,

Your letter of November 16th was duly received, and I have since heard from Mr. Cook and after talking with Will, have written to him that I think the course which he suggests is the wisest one, namely, that I should renounce my right to be executor and that then, on your petition, with a waiver of notice signed by Will and Mary and [illegible], the will [illegible] probated and your appointment as temporary administratrix made permanent. Mr. Cook will prepare the papers and I will see that they are signed. It was evidently Vic's desire, as it would be everyone's, that his entire estate should go to you, and his only purpose in naming me as executor must have been to seek to make it as easy for you and to put in words his wish, which I would have known and acted upon in any case, [illegible] I would by no [illegible] [illegible] that it be possible, as [illegible] [illegible] mail. His purpose for you seems to me will be best fulfilled by having everything come at once and authoritatively and finally into your hands. If, in the matter of investments or in any way, I can help you, I know that you will let me know.

[illegible] and Elliott and Margaret and I went up to [illegible] [illegible] giving Day to dine with Will and his family. We all wished that you could have been there with us. [illegible] I shall be happy to [illegible] whenever you can.

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible] 1[illegible], 19[illegible].

Mr. Malcolm Spencer,

95 Chancery Lane,

London, W.C., England.

My dear Mr. Spencer,

It was a pleasure to receive yesterday your note of November 15th, and I should be very happy if it were possible to accept your invitation and attend the conference of the Young People's Missionary Movement next summer, but I shall not be able to remain in Great Britain after the Edinburgh Convention. Indeed, in view of my many absences from America recently, I should be glad if I could escape going to Edinburgh in June. I think I shall probably go, however, but as I have said, shall come back at once. If I were to be in England in the summer, I should be glad to come to your conference.

I remember very well the days in London in 1900 and the photographs which we exchanged. I trust that you may be coming over to this country before long.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] 1[illegible], 19[illegible]

The Rev. A. C. Dixon, D.D.,

The Moody Church,

[illegible] Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Dixon,

I [illegible] two [illegible] one on "Sin" and the other on "God in Christ the Sole Revelation of the Fatherhood of God". If, on looking them over, you find that they don't fully meet your purpose, [illegible] to let us have them back.

Very cordially yours,

November [illegible], 1899.

The Rev. John Bancroft Devins, D.D.,

150 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Devins,

Your kind note with the enclosed tickets for the Presbyterian dinner for Mrs. Speer and myself has been received. I hope that Mrs. Speer may find it possible to come. If not, I will return one of the tickets.

Very cordially yours,

Mr. Walter F. [illegible],

556 Elliott Square,

Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

I thank you for your letter of [illegible] and will [illegible] my brother's estate. [illegible] complete placed in the hands of his wife in the [illegible] my brother's purpose in making me as executor could only have had this in view, and I [illegible] as his desire has been met and as I am at Mrs. Speer's service at any time for any help that I can render, I think the course that you suggest is wise, and shall be glad if you will prepare the necessary papers to renounce my [illegible] as executor and my brother and sisters and I will sign the waiver of notice.

Thanking you sincerely for your kindness in the matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] 5th, 1930.

Dr. I. H. Baker,

[illegible] St.,

Schenectady, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Baker,

[illegible] of November 25th has been received. I enclose herewith copy of a letter just written to Dr. Stevenson, which will explain [illegible] [illegible] I am, [illegible] the [illegible] Schenectady.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible], 19[illegible].

The Rev. A. Russell Thomson, D.D.,

6 Union Street,

Schenectady, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Thomson,

Your kind note of [illegible] has been duly received. I did not [illegible] the Convention to some [illegible], but I have already filled up my [illegible]. I returned from [illegible] and must go abroad again the first week in January, so that it has been necessary to crowd a great deal into these [illegible]. Dr. [illegible] wrote something to me about [illegible] necessary, but I had to tell him that the conditions would make it impossible.

It would be a great pleasure to come and to be with you and Mrs. Thomson again.

Ever cordially yours,

November 8th, [illegible].

The Rev. George Robson, D.D.,

76 Murrayfield Road,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Dr. Robson,

Your kind letter of November 17th came yesterday. I had written to Mr. Clement r that I would accept his cordial invitation, with the alternations as to several week-ends which you had suggested, but my letter had not gone off and I have now written him again, in line with your last suggestion and shall look forward with pleasure to coming directly to you on reaching Edinburgh, and I shall let you know later on which steamer I shall cross.

All the arrangements that you have made or may make are entirely satisfactory to me. I shall only hope and pray that I may have strength to improve these splendid opportunities for missionary service.

With warm regards, and thanking you for your constant kindness, I am:

Very sincerely yours,

November 29th, 1893.

Sir Alexander Simpson,

52 Queen Street,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Sir Alexander,

I have just heard from Dr. Robson and he writes that, as there will be many points to go over in connection with the arrangements for the six weeks that I am to be in Scotland and the various meetings in so many places, he wishes me to come directly on arriving to his house, and that he thinks it would involve some inconvenience if I should go elsewhere then, but I am glad to say that he allows me to say that I may accept your hospitality for a portion of the time, but that he would be glad if the portion might be left undetermined until after my arrival. I had already written, after a previous letter from Dr. Robson, saying that I would come directly to you and telling you how grateful I was for the most cordial invitation from Lady Simpson and yourself, but Dr. Robson's later note has been suggested by the various questions which have arisen and which it will doubtless be well to talk over with him at once on arrival.

Looking forward with great pleasure to seeing you and Lady Simpson and to accepting for at least part of the time your most kind hospitality, I am,

Very faithfully yours,

November 29th, 1909.

Mr. Delevan L. Pierson,

24 East 23rd Street,

New York City.

My dear Del:

I shall be glad to try to send you, some time this Winter, an article on Christianity's Relation to the Non-Christian Religions, which would cover the ground you suggest, although it might, perhaps, bear more appropriately some other title than the one you propose. How would you like to have something on the grounds which justify our work in South America ? I have gone over this subject in my report to the Board, and could send you, perhaps, an article bearing some such title as "Are Protestant Missions in South America Justified?" or "Would Evangelical Churches be Excluded from South America ?" Would you care for this, and if so, how many words would you want ?

I shall be be very glad to be of any help, I can in advising with you regard MISSIONARY REVIEW, although it would be more convenient for me if you could have a day-time meeting, instead of one in the evening. From the tenth of December on I have my week days and nights pretty free.

With ever warm regard, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Nov. 27th.

November 29th, 1909.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor Meigs:

I promised to write to you about March 20th, - which I find will be all right, so that I shall look forward to coming to the Hill for that day.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 29th, 1909.

The Rev. David L. Roberts,

Mexico, New York.

My dear Mr. Roberts:

Your kind note of November 18th is at hand. I am sorry that the new date of the Centennial will not fit my plans any better. I do not know whether I shall be back by that time from the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE in Edinburgh, and I have promised, if I am, to go for both of those days to the Summer Student Conference at Northfield, so that I am afraid I must be counted out.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 29th, 1909.

The Rev. Henry W. Frost,

Germantown,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Mr. Frost:

I do thank you for your good letter of November 22nd, and wish I might drop in at one of the Saturday afternoon Prayer Meetings. I look back with much joy to the meetings which I attended a couple of years ago, and should be happy to come back again, but I am not getting to Pottstown so often this year. I missed the first two months being away in South America, and must miss January and February through being away in Scotland, where I expect to go immediately after the holidays. If at the time I think I can arrange to drop off, however, I shall let you know in advance, and take advantage of your warm invitation.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 29th, 1909.

Professor S. Grant Oliphant,

Olivette, Michigan.

My dear Professor Oliphant:

Your kind note of November 21st was received yesterday. I remember a visit which I made to Olivette at Thanksgiving time just twenty years agothis Fall. Dr. Butterfield, I think, was President then, and I had Thanksgiving breakfast with him, and in his generous hospitality he had invited me to spend the day, but I had to get on to another appointment in a distant part of the state the next day, with the result that I was snowed in at a railroad Station, and had one dry bun with no butter on it, for a Thanksgiving dinner. I have always remembered the dinner that I missed. I should be glad to come back and eat it now, but there will be no possibility of my getting to the College this year. I have my book full here for the East until Christmas, and then I must go to Scotland for the Winter, and my engagements are already pretty well filled up for the Spring. I shall probably be going out to Chicago for the Laymen's Convention in May, but have no idea that there will be any spare time either going or coming to stop off anywhere.

It was a pleasure to hear from you, and I wish I could come to try to be of some help to you in the situation which you describe.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 29th, 1909.

Mrs. Henry Dillon,

185 State Street,

Perth Amboy, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Dillon:

Your kind note of November 17th was received yesterday. I appreciate your most cordial invitation on behalf of the Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church of Perth Amboy. I remember very well the kindly invitations of previous years. I cannot say now whether it is going to be any more possible for me to come this year than then. ,I have just come back from a six months' absence on the Mission Field, and must go abroad again to be gone until some time in March, and then April, as you know, is the month when our Women's Boards have their meetings, as well as the Presbyterial Societies, and we have to give first place to the meetings of the Boards and second place to the meetings of the Presbyterial Societies, and then go last to as many of the local churches as possible. The first and third Mondays of each month, also, are difficult ones, because our Board always meets then and one can never be sure as to when the meetings will be over and how far it will be possible to travel for a meeting after the adjourning of the Board session. I think, accordingly, that if it is necessary, as I have no doubt that it is, to arrange for the meeting thus far in advance, it would be wiser for you to plan to have someone else. If, however, after I come back in March, I find that it will be possible to come, I shall be glad to endeavor to arrange to do so, but the uncertainties are so many that I really think it would be easier and more comfortable to plan now for some other speaker.

With best wishes for the work of the Society, I am

Very sincerely yours,

November 29th, 1909.

Mrs. George Wood,

1 Linden Lane,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Wood:

Thank you a thousand times for your kind note of November 25th. I am looking forward with great pleasure to the Princeton Lectures, and not least to seeing you. I hardly know what time I am going to have in Princeton, however, outside of the Lectures. I must get back to New York every night either on the seven o'clock or the 7.45 train. Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights I must get back on the seven o'clock train, and the other nights on the 7.45, as I have to speak at the Young Men's Christian Associations in the Seminary and College those two nights; but if before or after some one of the Lectures I can come down to Linden Lane, you will certainly see me.

With much love from us both and all, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 29th, 1909.

The Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D.,

544 Dorchester Street, West,

Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

My dear Dr. Johnston:

Your kind note accompanying the book was received yesterday. Thank you very much for your trouble, and thank you very much, also, for your cordial invitation. I wish I could look forward to accepting it, but I am already filled up, so that I do not see any way of working it in. I have to go to Scotland the first week in January and shall not be back until some time in March, and have already a number of appointments for the Springtime, including all those Sundays of the month which would be possible for a trip to Montreal. Our Board meets on Monday, so that the Sundays preceding the Board Meetings are always impracticable for visits to far-away places.

Thanking you heartily for your kindness, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

November 26th, 1909.

Mr. Louis V. Davison,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mr. Davison:

I have to be in Princeton next Wednesday evening, and fear I cannot get away in time for the Session Meeting that evening. If I am not there, will you kindly present my excuse ?

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Nov.27th.

[illegible] 1[illegible].

President H. E. Ward,

[illegible] will go.

[illegible]

Dear President Ward,

Your kind note of November 24th is received. I should be glad if I could [illegible] your invitation, but our General Assembly meets in May and I shall be obliged to attend the Assembly or else, through the absence of others, shall be kept in our offices here.

Thanking you for your kind invitation, I am,

Very truly yours,

[illegible] 1908

Mr. Richard C. Morse,

124 East 80th Street,

New York City.

My dear Uncle Richard:

I am [illegible] every time I can say that a [illegible] of lectures which I am giving at Columbia University this week makes it impossible for me to get to the Anniversary Dinner to-morrow night, but my heart will be there with you, dear Uncle Richard, and it always is wherever you are and wherever I am, and I wish you and Aunt Rachael God's best and ever better blessings all the days and all the eternities.

Ever affectionately yours,

November 30th, 1909.

Mr. J.B.Waller,

Princeton University,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Waller:

Your kind note has been received. I shall be very glad to take dinner with you on Thursday evening. I have to speak that evening at the Philadelphian Society, and can meet you at the close of the lecture at the Seminary, or come to the Cottage Club to meet you.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] to speak at Princeton [illegible] December 1st [illegible] accepting the [illegible] to [illegible] L.S.D.

[illegible]

November 30th, 1909.

The Rev. Hubert Shipman,

55 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Shipman:

It was a real pleasure to hear from you again, and I wish I could accept your invitation to speak at the proposed meeting for trained nurses in New York on the afternoon of January 2nd. I would gladly do so if I were to be here at the time, but I expect to have to be in Rochester that Sunday at the Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. I trust you will have a good meeting, and with kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

November 30th, 1909.

Mr. Henry E. Gregory,

Room 413,

Terminal Building,

Park Ave. & 41st Street, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gregory:

I am sorry I have to be in Princeton this coming Friday afternoon, so that I will not be able to attend the meeting of the A.L. and D. Committee.

Very sincerely yours,

November 30th, 1909.

Mr. J.H.Wd,

Passenger Traffic Manager,

Broad Street Station,

Philadelphia, PA.

Dear Sir:

Inclose, herewith, an unused portion of railroad ticket. Will you kily redeem same, and oblige,

Yours truly,

November 30th, 1909.

Mr. Delavan L. Pierson,

44 East 23rd Street,

New York City.

My dear Del:

My note to you and your note of yesterday must have crossed. Dr. Young has written to me about coming over to the Bedford Church, but as I have written to him, all my Sundays are full into the Spring, and as for the week nights, I am tied up every night this week at Princeton, and must leave in about a month for Scotland, to be gone for two months, and have all that I can hope to handle between now and then.

With reference to the article, I will try to get something into shape for you along the line of my suggestion yesterday. Will Moody was down the other day, and wants to know whether he could arrange with you to use the same thing in the RECORD OF CHRISTIAN WORK.

Thank you very much for your suggestion regarding luncheon, but I am going down to Princeton each day this week on the 2.10 train, and am getting bite as I go through the Pennsylvania Station in Jersey City. I hope we can get together later.

Ever affectionately yours,

December 1st, 1909.

The Rev. G.A.Johnston Ross,

Bryn Mawr, Pa.

My dear Mr. Ross:

It was a great pleasure to get your note of November 19th, and a kindly letter from Miss Caroline Delano at the same time in behalf of the College Christian Union. I enclose a copy of my reply to her letter. I wish very much that I could come over, but as you will see, I am tied up until Spring time. The necessity of spending two months in Scotland has crowded things so that there aren't as many Sundays available for home work as usual. I do not expect to get back from Scotland until the second week in March, and am leaving just after the holidays. As for Wednesday evening, which you kindly suggest, I am tied up for all my Wednesdays until Easter time. As I do want to come over, partly for my meetings in which I can be of any help, but even more to have the pleasure of seeing you and Mrs. Ross, and I shall hope to come whenever the way is open.

With warm regards from Mrs. Speer and myself to you both, I am

Very cordially yours,

December 1st, 1909.

Miss Catherine Delano,

Pembroke West,

Bryn Mawr, PA.

My dear Miss Delano:

Your [illegible] of November 17th was [illegible] and I have not been able to answer it definitely until now. I am sorry to have to say that I am not [illegible] possibility of coming over to Bryn Mawr for one of the Friday evenings this Winter. I have all my Sundays pretty fully arranged for until the middle of May, with the exception of March 27th, and have already a number of invitations for that day, some one of which I must accept. For all of January and February I have to be abroad. As to the Sunday after May 6th, I am somewhat uncertain, as it has not yet been determined who is to represent our Band at the meeting of the General Assembly, which always comes that month. It is possible that I may be free some one of the last two Sundays in May. If perhaps [illegible] service [illegible] only for the Winter, and you will not beholding them so late in the Spring.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] you can come and take lunch with me this coming Saturday."

Very [illegible],

[illegible]

December 1st, 1909.

Mr. Francis A. Booth,

[illegible],

New York City.

My dear Mr. Booth,

Your very kind note of yesterday is duly received. I am very glad to hear of the time limit that has been set on the disease and the great [illegible] medicine together, and I do still not [illegible] Booth's kind invitation [illegible].

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[illegible]

[illegible] 1st, 1913.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

Mr. George H. Ford,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Ford,

[illegible] I shall be [illegible] at the meeting on January 27th, but I shall be [illegible] the coming the first week in January, and shall [illegible] I am glad you and having good meetings [illegible] there may be many new members enrolled this year.

Very well all yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your [illegible] with reference to [illegible] of the [illegible] July 20th, sent to [illegible] just received. I know [illegible] I should enjoy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] While I hope to be in the United States this coming [illegible] there, and am unable now to [illegible] to come to [illegible] and I am unwilling to make a promise to come unless I know that I [illegible] be able to keep it. If, in the meantime, I find that I am able to [illegible] at that time and could arrange to come, I should be happy [illegible] I suppose that would be entirely too late, as you wish to have all your arrangements made as far in advance as possible.

With kind wishes,

Very truly yours,

December 1st, 1903.

The Rev. John Kershaw, D.D.,

St. Luke's Church,

Charleston, S.C.

My dear Dr. Kershaw:

Your kind note of December 18th was duly received, and I greatly [illegible] your expression of willingness to postpone the Anniversary until [illegible] in May. I also want will right and it possible for me to come, as I hope and [illegible] expectation for the first Sunday in May, and [illegible] I will be [illegible] for the present in view of the meeting [illegible] Convention about the middle of the month, and [illegible] sessions for from ten to twelve days.

I should have spoken of this in writing before, but I had supposed [illegible] to have given to day would of itself make it impossible for me to come, and I had not thought that it would be practicable to have the [illegible] so late. I must thank you again for your kind thought, and assure you that I would be happy to come if practicable.

Very faithfully yours,

December 1st, 1909.

Miss Helen M. Wells,

166 Rodney Street,

Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Miss Wells:

I am sorry to have been so slow in answering your kind note of November 9th.

Of course, I shall be happy indeed to speak at the Presbyterial Society on the afternoon of March 23rd. You will let me know later, will you not, of the place of the meeting and the hour at which you wish me to speak?

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

December 1st, 1909.

Dr. Thomas S. Evans,

Houston Hall,

University of Pennsylvania,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Tom:

As far as I can see now, I shall be able to come to the University for Monday, April 17th, if that will be satisfactory. It is pretty far ahead, and there is always a possibility of having to go off to the ends of the earth, but I trust nothing may interfere with my being able to come over for that day.

With kind regards to Mrs. Tom, I am

Ever your friend,

November 30th, 1900.

Mr. John M. Loveland,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear John:

Will you kindly let me know the expense to which you were put in connection with the gas for the lantern the other evening? As far as any small little items are concerned, that was to be my contribution to the Civic League. It was only too good of you to give all the time and attention you did. I am afraid that very little could have been made of those slides if it had not been for your skill.

Ever your friend,

November 3rd, 1909.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,

1331 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Charlie:

The copy of Ellis's book which you have so kindly sent is just received. I shall go over it with great interest.

I look back with delight on my day with you and Aline, and I hope Aline will forgive me for not having written yet to thank her for all her kind and thoughtful hospitality.

Ever affectionately yours,

December [illegible], [illegible].

Mr. [illegible],

[illegible] Avenue,

[illegible] City.

My dear Mr. Myers:

I am sorry that I shall be out of the country on January 11th, and not able to attend the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Young Women's Missionary Movement. Will you kindly present my excuse ?

Very truly yours,

December 1st, 1909.

The Rev. Herbert Ure,

756 West 4th Street

Williamsport, Pa.

My dear Mr. Ure:

Your kind note of November 22nd is received. I appreciate your cordial invitation to come over to tell your people about South America, and having seen the need of the South American nations I feel a special burden of responsibility to say whatever I can in support of the missionaries who are at work there. I am sorry to have to say, however, that I have already engagements for Sunday, May 8th, and for all my Sundays up to the General Assembly, and the presbyteries and synodical committees and Women's Boards Meetings in April will swallow up all the time that one can get away that month. If any of those appointments, however, take me over near Williamsport, I shall be glad to keep in mind your good invitation, and to be of any help that I can.

Very sincerely yours,

November 30th, 1909.

Principal Alfred E. Stearns,

Andover, Mass.

My dear Al:

I am only writing this note on condition that you do not answer it, but tell you that I am sending you a little book of my own on the Character of Christ, representing the results of work with a Bible Class of students some twenty years ago. I do not know that it will be of any help to you, but I think it may serve to give you some suggestions, and at any rate lead you to some good books.

Ever your friend,

Enclosure.

December 3rd, 1908.

Bishop Henry W. Warren, D.D.,

University Park, Colo.

Dear Bishop Warren,

Your [illegible] reference to the [illegible] book on Paul has been received, and I have pleasure in sending a copy herewith for the Library of the Cliff School of Theology.

Very cordially yours,

December 3rd, 1908.

Mr. R. J. Gibson,

14 Tremont Street,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Gibson,

Your kind note, with Mr. Winslow's postscript, was received yesterday. I wish I could accept your [illegible] I expect to be in Scotland for January and February. I hope [illegible] good convention.

Will you kindly thank Mr. Winslow for his cordial word?

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible],

[illegible] Street,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible],

Your kind note with reference to the New Year's Day prayer meeting has just received. I should be happy to take charge of the service if I were to be at home, but I expect to be in Rochester at that time, at the annual convention of the Student Volunteer Movement, which will be held from December 29th to January 1st. I am very sorry, as I would not miss that meeting if I could help it.

Mrs. Speer told me that you had decided to ask Dr. White to take it if I could not be there. No one from outside could do better than Dr. White, and I wish he might be able to take care of the meeting inside the family. Would not Mr. Reinckerhoff be willing to take charge of it, or Mr. Schurman, or Mr. Dulles, or Mr. George Coe? It seems to me that it is just like a family meeting and that we ought to take care of it within the family.

Very cordially yours,

December 14, 1908.

Mrs. L. A. Labaree,

21 Court Street,

New Britain, Conn.

My dear Mrs. Labaree,

It was a pleasure to get this morning your note of yesterday, and [illegible] I [illegible] you that you [illegible] the other day with Clara. I had a fine trip, and should be glad to tell you about it but will send you a copy of my report, which will tell you a great deal more than could be put in a conversation.

As to the Revision Testaments, I thought that our people and theirs [illegible] American Bible Society. Some I know, they get from England, but my impression is that the American Bible Society gets the Revision versions also. I am sending your note to Dr. Fox, asking him to reply.

Very cordially yours,

December 8th, 1909.

Mr. Chas. H. Cahill,

Colebrook, Coos Co., N. H.

My dear Old Deacon,

I was delighted to get your last letter with the remembrance which you sent which came in on the anniversary of my ordination at home. My heart was all [illegible] reading your letter, both because it was from you and also because it showed that the enemy could nothing and should not only have got not given up the fight but also that you are certainly going to win the victory. I have read the letter over many times, and the other day just after reading it over, I saw right in the letter, [illegible] which I was going to enclose. It was written to the Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon of Pittsburg, if there you know on "Though Doubts, the [illegible] of [illegible] and the Expositor and those other Sounds Stories." Mr. Spurgeon sent me a copy of it and I have had it among my papers for a long time. I wish I had thought of sending you one before this. This was, you see, you had a harder fight of it than even you have had and has been from a good deal deeper, and yet the grace of God has saved him, as it is going to save you, and he is not only living like a man, but he is trying others to recover their manhood. That is what you are going to be doing also. You know the lines of the old hymn that run:-

"We watch and fight and pray,
We struggle n'er give o'er;
Here it boldly every day,
And help divine implore."

That means that you are not to give up anything, and I really don't believe that you had given up. Perhaps you were not kneeling down and saying a formal prayer every night, but I know that many and many a time by night and by day your heart was pleading to God and asking for his help. Don't let go of Him. Indeed, you can't let go, Deacon, because even if you relax your grip, He

[illegible], 1901.

Mr. Chas. H. Cunningham,

[illegible] will not [illegible] him. [illegible] in the few lessons of which [illegible] that even when we are faithless, and sinless faithful, because He cannot be anything but Himself.

We have all well and happy at home, and only [illegible] that you were down here and could [illegible] us at Christmas-time. [illegible] you always. Write whenever you can, and don't forget that we all know that in spite of any fears or defeats, God is going to show forth His power in you and give you the victory.

With much love from us all,

Always your friend,

December 6th, 1899.

The Rev. Geo. S. Lovard,

1021 West 18th Street,

Erie, Pa.

My dear Lovard,

It was a real pleasure to hear from you in your letter of December 2nd. A ministry seems very bad, or perhaps one would better say, very well, because it is the scattering of the seed over the earth. I had not known of your ministry and we glad to learn of your work in Erie. Are you in the United Presbyterian Church or some other Presbyterian branch? I don't find your name in the minutes of the General Assembly, so that I judge the minister should of course your work must be either in the United or the National Presbyterian body. I shall be glad if you would let me know a little more about it, as I should like to help in such small way as I could in the situation that you describe.

Our little family is just like yours, except that we have one boy and two girls, where you have one girl and two boys. They are a perpetual blessing and joy, with all the natural weaknesses and errors that inevitably come.

With best wishes for your work and hoping to hear from you soon, I am,

Ever cordially yours,

[illegible]

Dr. Frederick Peterson,

20 West 50th St.,

New York City.

[illegible],

Since coming back from South America, I have seen Mrs. [illegible] several times, and she has told me of Hazel Snyder, and a few days ago I received a long letter from Mr. Snyder [illegible], showing [illegible]al anxiety. I think he is looking to me to counsel him and Mrs. Snyder as to [illegible] should [illegible] daughter [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Would you give me a few moments sometime to come to talk with you about the matter, so that I can advise Mr. Snyder wisely? Almost any time next week would be convenient for me to come.

Very cordially yours,

December 7th, 1909.

Mrs. John Kelga,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Mrs. John,

I promised to send you my engagements for Scotland as far as they are now made out. The lectures for which I am going over are to be delivered in Edinburgh, in the Assembly Hall, on six successive Sunday evenings, beginning January 16th; in Glasgow, in Park Church, on six successive Tuesday afternoons, beginning January 18th; and in Aberdeen, in the United Free Church College Hall, on the afternoons of six successive Thursdays, beginning January 20th. Besides this, I have at present the following evening engagements for missionary mass-meetings:-

January 17th Perth	February 10th Dundee
24th Gairloch	11th Paisley
Feb. 3rd Inverness	15th Greenock
February 4th Aberdeen	16th Greenock
7th Glasgow	17th Greenock
8th Hamilton	21st Edinburgh
	22nd Aberdeen

The Edinburgh lectures are at seven o'clock in the evening and the Glasgow and Aberdeen lectures at three in the afternoon.

With warm love to Professor and yourself from Ethel and me,

Ever your friend,

December 7th, 1908.

Mr. Chas. D. Hilles,

Treasury Department,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hilles,

I was delighted to receive this morning your note of yesterday and to read the letter from George Douglas. When I remember from the talk we had about him at the time you decided it would be better for him to go to a school like Hotchkiss. It is a real encouragement to see developments like these in a boy. I hope that he may find a useful sphere of work and in some real way be able to fulfill his destiny to serve Christ.

It was a great pleasure to see you in Washington, and I hope that when you are in town at any time you will stay in if you can. If you are disengaged then, I should be delighted if you would come and take lunch with me.

With ever warm regard,

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Zubrin,

I send you herewith the call for the week of prayer and [illegible] copies sent out by the Evangelical Alliance. This is the British [illegible] call. For the last few years the American Alliance has gotten up a [illegible] different call, but I must say that I like the English one better. In any case, we are free to do what meets our own needs best.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Is it proper for me to inquire whether the writer of the editorial on the Revolution of Mexico to Our Trade in the East, which appeared in the Washington [illegible] Star, [illegible], was Mr. [illegible] Weightman? I [illegible] this is a proper inquiry, but if it is, should be grateful for the information requested. [illegible] in the official [illegible] by [illegible] in the [illegible] interest [illegible], if possible, whether the editorial in question was Mr. Weightman's.

Very truly yours,

[illegible] June, 1951.

[illegible] Young, D.D.,

[illegible] Presbyterian Church,

Eastwood Ave. & Dean Street,

Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Young:

I enclose you the press notices [illegible], and I should be [illegible] to have some part in the activities in Bible Work, but I [illegible] to circumstances that it will work in January and that I will be back [illegible] have time to do so. Mr. Dennis, however, will be back with a fresh story of [illegible] in the land, and I hope you can get him to [illegible] the Foreign Mission Board. He is just [illegible] a tremendous field, after a four months visit to Japan, Korea and North China.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible], 1[illegible].

The Rev. A. Ollemann, D.D.,

[illegible], Iowa.

My dear Dr. Ollemann:

Your kind letter of Saturday is just received. I also, I could accept your cordial invitation, as I would surely do if I could, but I am going to [illegible], leaving the Pacific Coast on the evening which [illegible] I have a engagement to deliver some [illegible] lectures there on the subject of a program of Christian [illegible] for the "[illegible]" [illegible] in June.

I will see [illegible] of the [illegible] as we may be [illegible] that you would stop in at home to see us, or call on me at [illegible]. It would be a pleasure to see you anyway. I remember [illegible] years ago, and say to them, the guid-[illegible] of [illegible] was fruitless in the [illegible] year. I [illegible] a very [illegible]. I wish you may have a [illegible] of Christmas, and [illegible] magazine, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] 1st., 1929.

Principal E.F.Geisler,

Mt. Hermon, Mass.

My dear Mr. Geisler:

I wish I could answer your kind invitation, but I have promised [illegible] to spend the Christmas vacation. [illegible] with the exception of the last week [illegible] I plan to hold forth whether for our Mount Hermon [illegible]. [illegible] 12th I shall be in Scotland, and Wednesday 26th I shall be landing in New York, on my return. [illegible] is then impossible for me, as our board meets that afternoon. I am very sorry, as I would gladly come up if there were a free day.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible], 1[illegible].

Mr. [illegible] Hazlett,

[illegible] Street,

Tonawanda, New York.

My dear Mr. Hazlett:

Your kind note of [illegible] is just received. I am sorry it will not be possible for us to come up to help you. I am going around [illegible] February 7th, to be gone until [illegible], and did my time in [illegible] this. I have already had to decline a number of invitations for December 17th.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

The Rev. [illegible], D.D.,

[illegible] East [illegible] Street,

New York City.

My dear [illegible]:

Your kind note of December 6th was received [illegible]. I had been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I would suggest the Rev. C.R.Watson of the United Presbyterian Board, or Bishop Lloyd of Virginia, formerly of the Episcopal Board, or President [illegible] of [illegible] Theological Seminary, or President Mackenzie of Hartford Theological Seminary. I am inclined to think that the subject would be most [illegible] [illegible] desirable.

I [illegible] service that I can render at any time I [illegible], but I [illegible] you will agree that I can easily [illegible] [illegible].

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] get back in March, you have not made any arrangements for it, and the day is free [illegible] for me to come, I shall be very glad to come back for that day.

With kind regards to Mrs. Stackpole and yourself, I am

[illegible]

December [illegible], [illegible]

President Robert E. Vinson, D.D.,

Austin, Texas.

My dear Dr. Vinson:

Your very kind letter of December [illegible] is just received. I do appreciate the cordiality of your invitation, and would be happy if it should prove possible for me to come down for the proposed conference next Spring. It is a little difficult for me to give an answer, as I have just come back from a six months' absence in South America and must go abroad again within a few days to be gone until some time early in March. Just now congested conditions may be from I get back I cannot foresee, and this makes me a little hesitant about making a definite engagement now which will require me to be away from the office, I expect at least that date. I am only anxious, however, to be of any service that I can to such an important project at this, and if you can be here during the holidays I shall be very happy indeed to see you. I shall be at the Student Volunteer Convention in Toronto for at least part of the session, from December [illegible] to January [illegible], and expect to sail on January [illegible].

With kind regard, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] Bank, [illegible].

The Rev. George [illegible], D.D.,

30 Morrison's Hill Road,

Edinburgh, SCOTLAND.

My Dear Dr. [illegible]:

I am expecting to sail on the Royal Line Steamship [illegible] January 5th, for Liverpool I suppose about the 15th, so that I shall hope to reach Edinburgh by Friday, the 16th, at the latest. I am looking forward with great pleasure to seeing you then.

Ever faithfully yours,

[illegible] Iowa, [illegible].

[illegible] of [illegible],

[illegible] Bank,

[illegible], Iowa.

My Dear [illegible]:

A letter just from the University of Pennsylvania says I shall be free from [illegible] afternoon of April 16th and shall be glad to come out to speak at the [illegible] that time. I must get back in time to reach [illegible] the evening, [illegible] the college [illegible]. Something before April 16th you will send me a [illegible] will you not, as to the time and place of the meeting?

Very faithfully yours,

[illegible] Iowa, [illegible].

22[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], Esq.,
[illegible],
[illegible], Pa.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

I enclose, [illegible], the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

I have heard from Mr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] University of Pennsylvania [illegible] for Sunday, April 17th. He says that I can be free for the afternoon and evening. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to go out to the Country School, so that the [illegible].

Very [illegible] yours,

Enc.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the Church of [illegible] missionary work in that wonderful country.

[illegible]

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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[illegible] [illegible], 190[illegible].

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.,

Yale University,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Your kind note of [illegible] has [illegible] [illegible] received. I thank you for your invitation to come to Yale for March [illegible] as well as for [illegible] [illegible]. I should be glad to do [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Scotland, where I am going to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] is [illegible], I am [illegible] that there may be circumstances that are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and then have to cable you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I should be very glad to accept if [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and that I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in having these engagements wholly reliable.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

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Rev. Dr. L. McPherson, D.D.,

Lawrenceville, N.J.

My dear Dr. McPherson:

Your good note of [illegible] 1[illegible], addressed to me at Princeton, was received while I was there in connection with the Commencement exercises of the Seminary. It was a pleasure to hear from you and to hear of you that you were back in your own place and in so much better health.

I shall be very glad to see you in Lawrenceville the Sunday, May 1[illegible], and I think I can come, also, for Sunday, March 1[illegible]. I am invited to take the pulpit then, and am expecting to be at home this coming Sunday and there is but a little chance of my being away the 1[illegible] of each month, which we hope to secure [illegible]. Unless I have still not interfere with my arrangements, as I trust that the commencement is ended, and I do not think there will be any [illegible] to be settled in advance. The commencement at which I have to be [illegible] Library, and may be delayed some [illegible]. I hope not. [illegible] to be back in New Brunswick [illegible], and I shall have to go from Lawrenceville the following Sunday. If I find that I am more to decline that something will interfere, I will send you word at once.

With kindest regards to Mrs. McPherson, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mother,

[illegible] I have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from this long South America trip.

I am glad you liked the [illegible] rug. It is from [illegible], the [illegible] in the world, [illegible]. [illegible] and I were [illegible] of July [illegible], and saw the boys come out of school and [illegible]. In the afternoon [illegible] [illegible], just like a winter day at home. I hope the rug may be of service and comfort to you.

[illegible] trip [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Mrs. Belle Cooke, of whom you used to tell me.

[illegible] trying to catch up with the great [illegible] some little measure of success. I

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I have received Susan Hayle's book on the Congo, of which I shall be glad to review the [illegible] [illegible]. I have still quite a number of books to review for the [illegible] and my conscience will not be easy until I send notices of them off, although it may be possible before I can give my conscience the luxury of such ease.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

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[illegible] 1[illegible], 19[illegible],

Miss Mary E. Woolley,

South Hadley, Mass.

My dear Miss Woolley,

Your note of [illegible] to be at the assembly or not.

Very [illegible] yours,

[illegible] Dec. [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible], 19[illegible].

Miss M. E. [illegible],

[illegible], [illegible]

My dear Miss [illegible],

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

With [illegible] regards,

Very [illegible] yours,

[illegible] Dec. [illegible]

December 16th, 1901.

The Rev. [illegible],

Yale University,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Stokes:

Your kind note, inviting Mrs. Speer and me to be your guests over Sunday, was received yesterday, but I delayed answering until I could speak to Mrs. Speer last evening. She would rejoice to come if he could, but feels that she ought not to leave the children over Sunday just now. I wish that she might but the pleasure of spending the day with you and your family. Some time soon I hope that we may have the opportunity to meet Mrs. Stokes.

I shall be with you about 4 by evening, after dinner, and shall try to get in before the very late trains.

I will suggest, as possible music for the morning, "Fight the Good Fight With all Thy Might;" "Onward, Christian Soldiers;" "My Soul, Be on Thy Guard;" and "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," or "Bless about "flowery beds" and "Who would true valor see," and "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

[illegible]

[illegible],
[illegible] West [illegible] Street,
New York City.

My dear [illegible]:

I have [illegible] Library [illegible] part [illegible] regarding [illegible] [illegible] for any replies.

I [illegible] regarding her. We ought certainly to have some one [illegible] America.

If you [illegible], you will let me know, will you not ?

As I have to sail for Scotland on January [illegible], I [illegible] but shall come down [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible],

Mr. William H. Davis,

[illegible], Mo.

Dear Mr. Davis:

[illegible] I December letter has been received. I remember very well my [illegible] visit to the Christmas [illegible] some ago, and should rejoice to come back to see all the growth that there has been since that [illegible], and to have part in the [illegible] interest of the Church, but I do think it will not be possible to come [illegible] Sunday in October, or [illegible] any Sunday this [illegible]. This is the month when the Synods meet, and I have always had [illegible] about where the Synod [illegible]. Last October I was [illegible], and these years [illegible] I was off for the whole month of October, or the greater part of it, in the Northwest, the Southwest, and on the Pacific Coast.

I will be very glad to keep your note, and if you [illegible] learn about a [illegible] opportunity, shall be [illegible] to let you know [illegible] I can come. I have [illegible] in St. Louis, [illegible] shall not be [illegible] some time in March, [illegible] I shall know [illegible] that we may be able to arrange to have [illegible] from the office, or what would [illegible]

[illegible] 16th, 1919.

Gordon,

[illegible] H. [illegible],

[illegible] Irrigation Forest,

[illegible]ston, Mass.

Gordon:

My dear Mr. [illegible]

Your very kind note of yesterday is here [illegible]. I would very [illegible] your invitation if I could, but October is the month when our [illegible], and it is necessary for me to attend as many as possible of these meetings. Last October I was out of the country, but the previous October I was in the Northwest for almost the entire month, the October before that in the Southwest, and the October before that on the Pacific Coast, so that I think there is a likelihood of my being able to be in Washington at the time you mention.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Miss [illegible],

11 [illegible] Square, [illegible],

[illegible]

My dear Miss [illegible],

I [illegible] you to read it. [illegible] hard financial struggle. I came to know her first several years ago and have seen her from time to time, trying to cheer her along and help her in her perplexities, and about a year ago introduced her to Miss Bradford, because she needed woman's help and cheer and to be in contact with someone here in the city. [illegible] don't hesitate to say so.

With kind regards,

Your friend,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear [illegible]

Your good note of Saturday is just received.

I am sorry that I cannot have the pleasure of speaking at the [illegible] on January [illegible], but I am willing to be [illegible] on January [illegible], to be given [illegible] time in March.

I trust you may have a good meeting, with definite and abiding [illegible].

Very truly yours,

[illegible], 1911.

Mrs. Cyrus H. McCormick,

80 East Huron Street,

[illegible], Ill.

My dear Mrs. McCormick:

[illegible]

[illegible]

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Michael I Pupin.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear [illegible]:

[illegible]

I hope you may have a fine meeting in [illegible].

With best wishes for a merry Christmas, I am

Very cordially yours,

December 20th, 1909.

Miss Anna L. [illegible],

[illegible] Philadelphia [illegible],

[illegible]

Dear Miss [illegible],

Your kind note of December 1[illegible]th is just received. It would be a pleasure to [illegible], and I expect to [illegible] [illegible] and others among [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] It may be possible for us to [illegible] the article you [illegible] [illegible] I would [illegible] getting such an article from the Young People's Missionary Movement, [illegible] Mr. Harry Wade Hicks, the General Secretary, [illegible]

His address is 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], [illegible].

Mr. William [illegible]

165 West [illegible] Street,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

[illegible]

I did I could arrange [illegible] matters and be [illegible] to be present at the [illegible] to attend the wedding which is to be held.

I have heard very much from Mrs. Bauer and the children of their good Summer at Hagerstown, and I hope which I do I could have shared it with them.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] 20th, 1900.

The Rev. W.G.Hynes,

St. Peters, PA.

Dear Mr. Hynes:

Your kind note of [illegible] is just received. It is always a pleasure to do anything within one's power to help in such services as you mention. I have, however, all my Sundays arranged for now until next Summer. I have to go abroad again within a fortnight to be gone until some time in March, and after that have every Sunday engaged. I shall be over in Pottstown at the Hill School for two or three Sundays, but every since the Young Men's Christian Association was started there I have spoken at their Sunday afternoon meeting when I have been in town, so I presume that would make it impossible for me to accept your invitation if I am to continue to speak at Hope afternoon meetings at the Young Men's Christian Association.

Very sincerely yours,

30 Church Street,

Dec. [illegible]

Mrs. H. G. Buehler,

Jacksville, [illegible]

My dear Mrs. Buehler:

I want to send you and Mr. Buehler and Mrs. Wolf and Reginald and Barbara the hundred Christmas wishes in a frame as all. [illegible] many times of you [illegible] last visit to the school, [illegible] were entering the [illegible] hope that everything [illegible] you are now [illegible] stronger than ever, [illegible] probably a [illegible] you will all be having together.

With best wishes and warm regards to all,

Your sincere friend,

Distributed Dec. 23rd.

[illegible]

The Rev. John T. Hills

[illegible]44 Broome Street,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Hills,

Thank you very much for your Christmas remembrance. It is good to be thought of by you and to think of you, and with affectionate Christmas greetings, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your kind note [illegible] was received [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible] buildings. It would have been a pleasure to see you again.

I studied my schedule carefully with reference to the [illegible] conference [illegible] for going and coming [illegible] the day or so at the conference, I [illegible] I have [illegible] days, for almost all [illegible], and for a number of [illegible] [illegible], so that much as I would [illegible] [illegible] it would not [illegible] [illegible] will [illegible] a great success.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

December [illegible] 1[illegible].

Mr. A. F. Johnson,

[illegible] Broad St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Johnson,

Your kind note of December 14th was duly received. I appreciate very much the cordial invitation of Mr. Perkins and yourself, but I am doubtful as to my ability to be in Philadelphia on the evening of March 20th. I have to sail for Scotland on January 5th and shall not get back until [illegible] and have already a number of engagements which [illegible] with the meeting of our church presbyterial [illegible] their boards of foreign missions, and these meetings will take us [illegible] Hall and [illegible], of course, a large claim upon our time. [illegible] that it will be clear for Mr. Perkins to arrange definitely for the [illegible] Dr. Hall for that evening, hoping as I always [illegible] If I were sure of being free.

Very cordially yours,

Stenographed Dec. 23rd.

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible],

124 East 28th St.,

New York City.

My dear John,

I acknowledge the receipt of the correspondence which you sent from Mr. Moody. I shall be glad to look it over and return it to him at East Northfield.

[illegible]

Dictated Dec. 27rd.

Dec. 21, [illegible]

President John Willis Baer,

Occidental College,

Los Angeles, Cal.

My dear John,

Thomas S. Evans is the secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at Houston Hall, University of Pennsylvania. A. O. Jesse is the present secretary of the Philadelphia Society of Princeton. The secretary there changes from year to year, and you can [illegible] reach the society through Professor Charles E. Miller.

As to the photograph, I haven't forgotten it, but have not yet been able to get any additional copies. Whenever I get any, I shall be glad to send you one. I hope that you and Mrs. Baer and the children may have a merry Christmas and the best of all New Years.

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible] of Dec. 20th

[illegible]

East Northfield, [illegible]

My dear Will,

I [illegible]

I am [illegible] South America, but the printer has delayed my report and I am [illegible] to get the proofs.

Mott has sent me [illegible] it, but [illegible] over at least before leaving for Scotland.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible] Dec. 23rd.

Dec. 24th, 19[illegible]

Mr. Charles C. Trowbrid[illegible].

1031 Walnut St[illegible].

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie.

I enclose herewith copy for the Young People's [illegible] meeting of Sunday, February [illegible]th. I think [illegible] completes our copy for the first four months of the year.

The other evening I jotted down the two enclosed [illegible] which you are welcome if you wish them for the front page if [illegible]. If they don't fit in with the needs of the page or your own [illegible], don't hesitate to send them back.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated Dec. 23rd.

December [illegible] 1[illegible].

Dr. George Brewster,

3 Baldwin Place,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Brewster,

Your [illegible] card of December 26th is received. I have no [illegible] of the sermon on last Sunday morning, but any [illegible] I could give [illegible] my service. If I had anything that would be of use to you, I would be [illegible] to send it.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Dec. [illegible].

[illegible]

The Rev. J. F. Fischer, Jr.

401 E. Buffalo St.,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Fischer,

Your kind note of December 21st was received yesterday. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to come for the meeting, on the evening of January [illegible], as I have to sail on January 5th for Scotland, to be present at the meeting, as I have to be at the Student Volunteer Convention, but am coming down for at least a day [illegible] a diocesan meeting, with the Bept results.

With best wishes for the New Year,

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Hurried lec. 23rd.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your kind note of the 22nd has been received. I am [illegible] it will not be possible for me to come over my way to see you. I am [illegible] to Detroit, - this [illegible] to Scotland - sailing Saturday P.M. and shall not [illegible] until the first week in March. I shall be very glad to plan to come over to see you afternoon in March or April. Any week-day afternoon, - or Tuesday afternoon, April [illegible]? I have to go through Philadelphia the 2d or 3d of each of these days, and could come over sufficiently early for an afternoon meeting. If you will kindly let me know before I sail number of [illegible] there will be enough away.

Very [illegible] yours,

Mr. Arthur H. Scribner,

102 Fifth Avenue,

My Dear Mr. Scribner:

The time was signed by yourself and Mr. Gruder and Mr. Black and [illegible] to accept your invitation if I [illegible] do so, but I may be in Rochester this week at the Quadrennial Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and must be here at the meeting of our Board on Monday, and must call the Women's Christian Temperance Union in Scotland on January 5th. If there were a third day I would be happy to come. I am sure that by accident, Dr. Halsey, you will do anything in his power to be of help to you in this important task, too. I trust that you will at once call on Dr. Ken Sam Gordon, who lives at our home, - the Rev. A.W.Halsey, D.D., 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

We rejoice in all that we have accomplished in Detroit, and trust, with you, that this is only the beginning of far greater things for all the churches, and especially for our own.

Sincerely,

The Rev. James L. Barclay, D.D.,

My dear Dr. Barclay:

Your very kind note of the 22nd has been received in the same mail with a most cordial letter from Mr. Johnson, Mr. Studer and Dr. Black. I wish I could accept your invitation and theirs, but you will see that the dates are from the enclosed letter. I have just written to Mr. Johnson. I got home from long service, as you know, only at the end of October, and will have had just two months here to clear things up before having to go out for two months more for a series of missionary lectures in South America, which I engaged to give before the foreign mission trip was arranged, and for a number of meetings besides, in preparation for the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE in June. I would gladly come out to Detroit if there were any free time before going to Rio.

Very cordially yours,

December 26th, 1905.

Mr. Walter F. Cook,

558 Ellicott Square,

Buffalo, New York.

My Dear Mr. Cook:

I wrote you on November 27th in answer to your letter with reference to the best course of procedure with regard to my mother's estate. I write now to say that I am expecting to sail for Cuba and on January 5th, to be gone all Winter, and if it is feasible to execute any papers at the present time it would be necessary for me to attend to them before that date. Mrs. Victor Speer is staying in my home now, so that it is possible to go over any points with her that may need to be discussed.

Very truly yours,

December 26th, 1[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your note of ~~[illegible]~~ Dec. 15th has been duly received. I don't know that I can do better than to forward it directly to Mr. Butler.

I have just had an experience at close hand of the problem that you have faced this last year. The son of one of my most intimate friends was suspended for [illegible] The sentiment of the feeling of the parents, and I think [illegible] the undergraduates, was that the punishment was far too severe. [illegible] it was easily that that was not a matter [illegible] they should complain. There was no doubt that the boy had been in the wrong. The [illegible] had not been in the wrong [illegible] of the university would not have been called upon to inflict any disciplinary and would not have made the mistake of being too severe. People outside, who had no part in the matter and no responsibility for the boy, might be justified in finding fault with the University's action, but the boy himself and his family were only justified, as I told them, in thinking of the boy's disobedience and blameworthiness. It is just as always in our own personal relations of life. We often think that we are punished beyond the deserving of our faults, but why do we have the faults? Our thoughts ought to be fixed entirely upon our own delinquency, not upon the supposed injustice of our judge, nor upon his actual injustice in the case of us. The judge would have no opportunity for injustice if we had not been guilty of offense.

[illegible] to help you to [illegible] to meet what [illegible] has not been [illegible] He was [illegible] the wrong [illegible] If [illegible] did [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Only because he missed the train. We ought [illegible] anything [illegible] hour by [illegible] in own wrongdoing with a feeling [illegible] wrongdoing of others.

My own feeling is that when anyone of us has once done wrong, [illegible] of our conduct [illegible], anything that comes to us is less than we deserve, [illegible] kind of [illegible]; any resentment or making any complaint, we ought to say to ourselves [illegible], I deserve even more than this. The fault is all mine. If I had done no wrong or committed no sin, I should have been saved all this. I cannot blame anyone but myself." I seems to me [illegible] other attitude than this is misrepresentation of [illegible] of life and does us harm. I am saying this in the hope of helping you to help your boy to meet crises in his life and to become more of a man because of it, as he will and [illegible] if he forgets that all the blame rests on him or ought [illegible] be the case [illegible] better again allow anything of the sort to come. This is the way, as it seems to me, to build up a manly character from this bitter experience.

I have assumed that the punishment which Lambert received may have been [illegible]; [illegible] indeed that it was not, the view which I have expressed might be [illegible] of process. It is [illegible] for the fact that the principle is the same [illegible] be correctly expressed in one as the other.

[illegible] yours,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Unsigned Doc. Stmt.

Dec. 29th, 1909.

Rev. Lewis Sequerra Mudge,

Lancaster, Pa.

My dear Mr.,

Your good note of December 16th is at hand. I have not undertaken any engagements yet beyond next June and shall not be making any for the Fall until I come back from Montreat. Usual the last Sunday of September and the first two Sundays of October I have usually had tied up with the opening Sundays of our schools and colleges. For some years I have tried to go to the Hill School in Pottstown on their opening Sunday and to Amherst on the second Sunday and then to get to Hotchkiss as near the beginning of the year as possible, and the later Sundays in October, as you know, are usually swallowed up by the Synods. I shall keep your note, however, and if, when I come back in the Spring, I find that it is going to be possible to work in a Sunday at Lancaster, I shall certainly rejoice to come.

I hope that you and Mrs. Mudge may have a happy Christmas and the best of New Years, and that your strength may grow steadily and that Mrs. Mudge may enjoy better health than she has known for a long while.

Very affectionately yours,

Robert E. Speer

Dictated Dec. 29th.

[illegible]

[illegible] ago, I received your letter of [illegible] in Dr. White's Bible School [illegible]

[illegible] Bible School [illegible] give you what you want. [illegible] one of the theological seminaries, and [illegible] of the work in the Bible School. [illegible] I think you would like Dr. [illegible] teach it thoroughly and teach it [illegible] there is more appreciation of the modern [illegible] in some other Bible Schools. There is, however, [illegible] side at Dr. White's. If you come here, [illegible] I shall be glad to be of [illegible] to you that I can. [illegible] before, though, I [illegible] before leaving your present work [illegible] it would offer a larger opportunity for [illegible].

With cordial regards,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible], your letter of November 29th has [illegible] and, [illegible] questionings of your mind and heart [illegible] present work [illegible] to decide, [illegible] there [illegible] [illegible] infinite [illegible] but [illegible] [illegible] other [illegible] present itself, but my disposition would be [illegible] with the other [illegible] unless there were [illegible] justification for leaving the old, irrespective of [illegible] still, what you say is true, that you are [illegible] and that if you are to make the change [illegible] I cannot say. I can only say that if you decide to come, I will be very glad to be of any help to you that I can.

Dec. 28th, 1909.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] brother,

[illegible] receipt of the announcement of your [illegible] being in your life and work [illegible] obituary, having had a [illegible] remain and I had a fine two weeks' [illegible] in the interior of Bahia and learned [illegible] of it, even if there were [illegible] only beans and rice or neither of these. One [illegible] and his wife were [illegible] Central Brazil this year, and I have [illegible] another man may be sent before long. The work is hard, but it is needy, and if God wants it to be done, as he surely does, there must be men somewhere whom he wants to do it.

With best wishes for your health,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer

Christiana Lee, Ind.

December 23th, 1909.

The Rev. George L. Richmond,

Boonton, N. J.

My dear Mr. Richmond,

Your kind note of December 16th was duly received. I am a little fearful about making any definite appointments now for week-night evenings in the Spring after I get back from Edinburgh, not knowing yet what work may accumulate during my absence and what pressure there may be after returning in March. Our fiscal year closes March 31st, the annual meetings of our Women's Boards are held in April and of the presbyterial societies in March, and May is the month of the General Assembly. I must, of course, give these claims the precedence, but if, when I come back, I find it possible to arrange to come over for a Wednesday evening, I shall be happy to let you know.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Dictated Dec. 23rd.

December 24th, 1909.

[illegible]

[illegible] December 11th has been received. I [illegible] I would [illegible] [illegible] abroad on January 5th, to be [illegible] [illegible] and the uncertainty of engagements in the Spring [illegible] [illegible] difficult, if not impossible [illegible] [illegible] to confirm or increase the interest of [illegible] [illegible] and if I [illegible] be here and free the third week in April, [illegible] but I think the uncertainties are so great [illegible] and I know that it is very desirable that you should [illegible] [illegible] as possible. After I get [illegible] in March, I shall know more definitely just what I can [illegible] [illegible] your program, as I well understand.

[illegible] regards to the Secretaries and yourself,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Speer (aad)

[illegible]

[illegible]

The Rev. [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible],

My dear Sir, Young:

[illegible] I [illegible] to be in [illegible] on Friday [illegible] Conference. [illegible] for my [illegible] replies as you desired, by last Sunday.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

December 28th, 1905.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone, D.D.,
71 East Elm Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear John,

Immediately on receiving your letter of December 9th with the enclosed letter to Arthur Ewing I dictated a letter in reply, but was not entirely satisfied with it and after signing it threw it back in my letter basket, and have not been able to take it up again until to-day. For myself, I have the heartiest agreement with the views set forth in your letter. I have written again and again and again, setting forth these views to men over the mission field. There are a great many men there who share them. But time a new educational enterprise is started on the mission field, I have set these principles before the men who have started it, but almost invariably they are carried on in spite of themselves, or, on careful and deliberate thought, adopt principles which lead them on to such developments as Arthur Ewing's in Ahlahabad. When that work began I urged on him and the other the desirability of having a small institution and making it completely and doubly Christian, and of being content to do a maximum work on a few. I quoted, as I have often done, the example of S. R. Brown of Japan, who took a little company of men, very much in the fashion of our Lord's training of the Twelve, in the early years of mission work in Japan, and put his whole mind and spirit into those men, with the result that he left his impress indelibly upon the Church in Japan, which is led to-day, in large part, by the men whom he trained. But our men who are in educational work as a rule argue that they could influence five hundred men just as well as five, which is a mistake; that by having the larger number they have a better field for selection of the choicest on whom to lay out special work; that after all, no man can tell who is going to develop among those whom he influences, and that he will do best

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[illegible], who will influence the largest number; that situation in itself is a [illegible] and that the training of a large number of men makes friends for the work. [illegible] those who, even if they have not committed themselves to the deepest [illegible] before they go, or to any consecration at all, nevertheless have been influenced and had seed planted in them which will some day bring forth harvest. [illegible] there is the large and unconscious pressure, [illegible] the angle of Europe and the apathy of the Hindu and Mohammedan [illegible], and there is the further responsibility of caste and of the whole social [illegible] many disciples to feel that a great deal of regular and unfamiliar [illegible] be done before the definite results are to be looked for in any large [illegible]. [illegible] a few of the conditions which affect the question of educational [illegible] views held by many. Sir [illegible] Miller of Madras has said that [illegible] has ceased to renounce the very ideal of missionary work which we [illegible] fundamental, namely, to win men definitely to Christ and to send them out definitely in his service to win others.

[illegible] of what is the best work corresponding to your calling, although I have [illegible] room for the other forms of work. I think that the training of these [illegible] students in the College and affiliated schools is a good work, but by [illegible] estimate as to what is the best work, and I hope you will seek your [illegible] calling. To pick the fewer men and to put the greater impress upon them seems to me to be the far more important thing, and the thing to which I would give my life. There is a place for the larger institutions as agencies which disintegrate suspicion and dispel error, but I myself would rather be doing the kind of work which the Lord did and which was the principle of St. Paul's missionary service.

[illegible]

[illegible]

December 19th, 1909.

Mr. [illegible] Burnett,

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Burnett:

Your very well [illegible] of [illegible] is at hand. I am sorry that it will not be possible [illegible] this attractive invitation, but I already have [illegible] for [illegible]. It is a joy to hear of such unions in [illegible], [illegible] I [illegible] you may have a splendid series of meetings.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], [illegible]

Gen. John B. Gordon,

Bellefonte, Pa.

My dear General:

I thank you very much for your good letter of [illegible] inst. I was very to get up to Bellefonte on the morning of [illegible] 6th, and was [illegible] don't [illegible]. I [illegible] it will be really impossible to get out to the [illegible] is meeting on Wednesday and get back in time for the evening meeting of the ladies.

We are delighted to know that you are planning to attend the [illegible] Monument and we [illegible] it being, also, the [illegible] day of the [illegible].

[illegible] love to Mrs. Gordon and best wishes for you on [illegible],

I am

Ever cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Dec. [illegible].

[illegible] 10th, 1[illegible]

[illegible] Rev. Edward [illegible] Holmes, [illegible]

[illegible] Rom. [illegible] Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Dr. Holmes:

I [illegible] in the new year, with the holiday greeting, and then you [illegible], [illegible] heart, and a happy Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Your faithfully yours,

Richard Rose [illegible]

[illegible] ain, [illegible]
[illegible] not to surrender, but no matter
[illegible] in God and God's power to deliver
[illegible] if you have only one end if you will
[illegible] ready to give.

[illegible] friend,

[illegible]

[illegible] 1st, [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] my reminders for the Prayer List for [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for a happy holiday season. For time and [illegible]

[illegible]tions, [illegible]

[illegible] leads for Scotland.

Special [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Special Prayer for the Lectures in Edinburgh, Sunday evenings, [illegible]

[illegible] in [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Prayer for a safe return and for God's watchful protection of [illegible]

January [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Via Istituto.

My dear [illegible]:

I have delayed [illegible] information and judgment.

As soon as possible after [illegible] South America, [illegible] in October, I conferred with Mrs. Larson, [illegible] as possible after that [illegible] Mr. Robinson, and then [illegible] Mrs. Robinson's. [illegible] strong [illegible] and [illegible] Mr. Robinson [illegible] Mr. Robinson [illegible] a good sense of humor, [illegible] and improving steadily. As you have [illegible] the public school in Katonah, [illegible] satisfactorily [illegible].

She is [illegible] Mrs. Larson [illegible] leave Katonah [illegible] in [illegible] in [illegible] capable [illegible] hands. [illegible] place in [illegible], N.Y., [illegible] and [illegible] of a normal girl. [illegible] Mrs. Larson, who approves of [illegible].

[illegible]

January 4th, 1909.

Mrs. [illegible] Gordon,

[illegible]ington, N.J.

My Dear Mrs. Gordon:

Your kind note of January is just received. This morning, and I [illegible] with you that the new arrangements for Lagwell are as ideal as could be [illegible]ined. I am writing to Mr. [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], a copy of my letter to him.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Jan. 3rd.

Enclosure.

[illegible]

The Rev. Sol. C. Dickey, D.D.,

Winona Lake, Indiana.

My dear Dr. Dickey:

Your kind note of December 28th was received last week while I was at the Student Volunteer Convention in Rochester. I do thank you most heartily for your prayers [illegible] Just now I shall be able to do most [illegible] to Pittsburgh. The Young Christian Church [illegible] Feb. 4th. Meanwhile the regular schedules grow a little, and I am not sure whether I shall be coming on over then. [illegible] Feb. conference on Monday, not here, and [illegible]. If I do come back home, I shall be [illegible] office or shall be able to get away to some of the conferences in July and August. I am going over to Scotland this week, to be [illegible] there [illegible] about [illegible] and here.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], [illegible]

Rev. C[illegible] Ross,

[illegible], Pa.

My dear Mr. Ross:

It was a great pleasure to get, this morning, your good [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] last [illegible] Modern [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] to [illegible] Mrs. Ross. Does [illegible] come over to Philadelphia in April, and I should be delighted to be so if it should be practicable. Mr. Peirce has already invited me to [illegible] at Haverford, and I have told him that I was afraid the engagements which I have at Philadelphia would [illegible] a little difficulty, but I will know a little more definitely as the time draws near just [illegible] [illegible], and I shall [illegible] [illegible] something of you and Mrs. Ross.

With warm regards and best wishes for the New Year, I am

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

Rev. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your kind note of December 26th is just at hand. I wish I could accept your invitation, but I am [illegible] and shall not be back until some time in March.

I trust that the social in Washington may be most successful.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. Charles [illegible],

[illegible]brook, [illegible].

My Dear Deacon:

I haven't heard from you since I wrote last, and [illegible] of a letter which a man wrote to [illegible] more. I hope [illegible] better received you. I am sending you, [illegible], [illegible] interested to read, [illegible] you in this country, but it [illegible] appear in a few days. [illegible] and [illegible] believe that there is [illegible] God to do.

I am sailing for [illegible] on Wednesday, but hope to be back in New York on [illegible]. My address [illegible] will be c/o [illegible] George Robertson, D. D., 50 Inverleith Road, Edinburgh, Scotland, and I should like to hear from you some time, as Mrs. Speer will always be glad to hear here.

I saw John R. Mott last week. He is having a big work in Chicago, where God is [illegible], as he will be [illegible].

[illegible] - [illegible] which you will find the power of God [illegible]. My heart will always be [illegible], and the [illegible] I see or I expect to see at proof of the love and strength of Christ.

[illegible] your friend,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] but have not found time to do so, and [illegible] with me to read or the steamer [illegible] football. I [illegible] to you from the other side, or bring them back when I come. I hope that this will be all right. I am sailing on the "[illegible]" on Wednesday, January [illegible].

I thank you [illegible] for the copy of the Northfield Calendar for the [illegible] year, and hope that you all [illegible] the children may have a [illegible] home in all things.

[illegible]

Mr. D. A. Hunter,

Lovedale, South Africa.

My dear Mr. Hunter,

I returned from South America, where I spent six months this [illegible] on October 27th, and found among the mail that had been held out on the [illegible] your good letter of June 8th, acknowledged by Dr. Fulton, who was caring for my correspondence. It was a great pleasure to hear from you, and I only wish that sometime I might have the opportunity of seeing as much of Africa as these six months made it possible to see of South America. I shall be sending you a copy of my report as soon as [illegible] copies from the printer.

It is good to know that in the not distant future there is a possibility of your coming over to the United States. I hope that by all means you will come. It will be a great joy to see you here and Mrs. Hunter and the children also, if you will bring them. We shall be glad to do anything we can to make your stay pleasant and to help you to see wherever you would like to visit.

I am very much obliged for the cards of your people which you sent. I shall certainly try to meet some of them while in Scotland. A pretty full schedule has been prepared, however, calling not only for the six lectures to be delivered on six Sunday evenings in Edinburgh and six Monday afternoons in Glasgow and six Thursday [illegible] but also [illegible] days in the interest of the World Missionary Conference in June. One of the intermediate meetings I notice is set for Stirling, and I shall hope to meet your brother and sister there.

With warm regard from Mrs. Speer and myself,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Dec. 28th.

Dec. 31st, 19[illegible].

Mr. Brownell Gage,

Changsha, Hunan, China.

My dear Mr. Gage,

I was in South America all of this last Summer, spending six weeks there and getting back only the last week of October. I have just been [illegible] clear things up here and am going off again to-night to the Student Volunteer Convention, and on returning expect to sail for Scotland [illegible] February there in connection with some special study features and various meetings preparatory to the World Missionary Conference in June, at which I think Mr. Beach is to represent the Yale Mission. It will be a privilege to see so much of Scotland and the Scotch people. I am going with some curiosity as to just how they will receive an American point of view in the matter of missionary principles and policy.

I spent Sunday a week ago at Yale and had a very good day, although it was the last Sunday of the term and a number of men, of course, had gone. There will be a week of special meetings in February, closing with Dr. Mott's Sunday. Things are in good condition, and it is a great thing to have a man like Henry Wright in the heart of the university life.

I had a number of talks with Mr. Beach and Mr. Stokes, especially with reference to the proposed Oxford and Cambridge scheme, involving a university in Moscow, and Mr. Stokes told me of the discussion as to the removal of the Yale Medical School from Shanghai to Hunan and the grounds on which the directors at home thought it would be inexpedient to make this transfer.

I did not see Mr. Sullivan and judge he must have been away. I have not had any glimpse of him since he came back from China. The removal of his brother-in-law, Mr. Davison, from Englewood, makes it a little less likely that our paths should cross.

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Mr. Russell Sage-Page 2.

Thanks very much for arranging that I should have a copy of the report. Everything that relates to the college is of interest to me and I want to keep in touch with it and with you and all your work.

I shall send you a copy of my report on South America. Conditions are very different from those in China, and yet morally they certainly are [illegible], and I doubt whether there is the intellectual promise that there is in China. Indeed, I have said a number of times that I believed that China could get along better without Christianity than South American without Protestantism, which simply means that the living truth is indispensable to all men.

I wish you could drop down in Rochester to-morrow for the four or five days of the convention. It will not be as large a meeting as the one at Nashville, I think. There is no hall that will hold as many people, but it will be representative of a larger number of institutions.

With kind regards to yourself and Mrs. Sage and your associates, I am,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Dec. 28th.

Jan. 3rd, 1915.

Mr. Howard Richards, Jr.,

My dear friend,

I thank you heartily for your card of Christmas remembrance and for the interesting pictures of the Prodigal Son. How do the Chinese like such tracts as this one? I should think they would be most effective with them. So you find that such a tract as this which you sent does appeal to them and influence them?

I got back just two months ago from a six months' trip to South America, and shall be sending you in a little while a copy of my report to the Board. It was a great pleasure to make the trip and it was a great revelation of many things. The continent is not as rich over there as North America, I believe, and its population is less than that of Japan, which, in turn, I think, is only one-third the size of Venezuela alone; but the intellectual and moral needs are awful. In the United States the proportion of illiteracy is 10%. In South America it ranges from 50% to 80%. The Argentine is the most progressive country, and the illiteracy of the Argentine is [illegible] with a population of nearly seven million. The State of New York has about the same population, with as large a proportion of immigrants, and there the proportion of illiteracy is only 5%, while we have 40,000 teachers and 1,450,000 pupils in the schools, three times the teachers and three times the pupils in the Argentine. The countries nearest the United States in South America are the poorest and most backward of all. In Venezuela there are only between thirty and forty thousand students in the schools, with a population of over two million. Morally, the conditions are just as dark as one would expect them to be where the intellectual darkness is so deep. I have tried to set forth the conditions in the report, and came back from South America with the conviction that China could better dispense with Christianity than South America. [illegible]

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I spent Sunday [illegible] first at Yale and had [illegible] last Sunday in the morning and in the afternoon I had begun [illegible] religious spirit there, and a man like Henry Wright [illegible]

I hope that you have been well since returning and that all the work [illegible] forward encouragingly.

With ever warm regard,

Your friend,

Dictated Dec. 20th.

Jan. 3rd, 1910.

Dr. Edgar T. Shields,

Yachow,

Szechuan Province, China.

My dear Dr. Shields,

It was a great pleasure to receive a few days ago your letter of October 18th. I had heard of the death of Dr. Loftis. It is impossible to understand such losses, as we view them, unless we think of them as going to the [illegible] forces. Oftentimes, I suppose, there come emergencies in the great work that lie [illegible] beyond our sight and men are needed for it who are here and who [illegible] forward there. Only a week ago one of the most remarkable young women [illegible] was taken away in just this fashion, leaving two little children, one [illegible] old, the other only a week old. She was a woman of brilliant mind and [illegible] position and the truest and most intelligent consecration life, and [illegible] influence and opportunities [illegible] to the Chinese girls and young women from this [illegible] as neglected not because they are poor, but because they are rich. Why she should have been taken, it is impossible to understand if we think only of the facts on this side. We can imagine, however, the reasons if we think of the possibilities upon the other side, where it may be some great gain in the progress of the Kingdom hung upon the service which she and she alone could give and for which, accordingly, God, whose love is too great to let His plans be marred by our ignorance, took her.

I am glad if you found any increase in the lives of those young men. I wish you could write of Dr. [illegible] in the same way. The [illegible] which those sketches first appeared is always ready for anything of that kind and almost any missionary magazine would rejoice to have the [illegible]. If a society forth such a character and such a career as you describe in Dr. [illegible] have been. I might add that the publication in which I first printed these pages is [illegible], and the editor is the Rev. [illegible] Miller, D.D., [illegible] Spring Garden Building, Philadelphia. It is a

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Dr. Edgar T. Shields-Page S.

paper that reaches several thousand young people every week.

I was happy to know where you are now and to hear about your work, I shall be glad at any time to learn more about it.

With best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Dec. 28th.

Jan. [illegible] 1910.

President E. A. Garfield,

Williamstown Mass.

My dear President Garfield,

I am very much obliged for the copy of Dr. Lawton's [illegible] address on "New Wine and Old Bottles".

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated Dec. 28th.

Jan. 3rd, 1910.

Dr. W. L. Green,

Pasadena, Cal.

My dear Dr. Green,

Your good letter of December 8th came a fortnight ago, and yesterday I got the most beautiful Marechal Niel roses which you sent and with which Mrs. Speer was delighted when I took it home in the evening. It was lovely of you to remember me and I do appreciate all the privileges of the blessed friendship for you and Mrs. Green three years ago.

I hoped to send you before this a copy of the report on South America, but it has been delayed by the printer's [illegible] and will not be ready, I think, about the middle of next month, but a copy will be sent to you as soon as they are received.

I am going up tonight to the Student Volunteer Convention at Kansas City, which begins to-morrow afternoon, but must come back Friday morning, before the convention ends, in order to get ready to sail next Wednesday for Scotland to fill the engagements which I made there before I knew that it would be necessary to go to South America this year. I am going over for a series of six missionary lectures, to be delivered in Glasgow, Edinburgh, [illegible] and Aberdeen, on successive Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. This will keep me over there six weeks, and the days between the lectures are to be filled with conferences in preparation for the Conference in June. I hope to get back to New York the first week in March.

Mr. Kennedy's gift has been a source of great regret to me. He gave away all that the laws of the State of New York allowed him to give to charitable and benevolent objects. It will be some time before the bequest comes to us, however.

Jan. [illegible]

. W. L. Green-[illegible]

[illegible] estate will [illegible] for a year or two, [illegible]
[illegible] ve lost [illegible] money this fiscal year and may not have any [illegible]
[illegible] we thought that so large a gift might be injurious, as leading others to [illegible]
[illegible] that the Board would now have all the money that it needed. [illegible] I
think the evidence that a man whom everybody thought was a shrewd, capable business
man, who knew where to invest his money, was willing to [illegible]
[illegible] is a good investment and a safe one. [illegible]
that was a good investment, we may safely invest our money in the same way.

With reference to South America, let me say that I never for one moment
question the advisability of your going there, but I only put the issue in that interesting
form in order to be able to [illegible] more definitely and intelligibly,
[illegible] when you get a report.

Mr. Leonard Dalziel, 10C Princes Street, Edinburgh, would be one of
the best men I know of to ask to make hotel reservations for you. As soon as you
notify me definitely whether you are [illegible], I think it would be well to have him
take [illegible] you desire. If you decide within the next month or two,
I shall be [illegible] and could be glad to put the matter in the right
hands for you if you [illegible], in care of the Rev. George Robson, D.D.,
[illegible] Edinburgh.

[illegible] Mr. Dalziel your cordial invitation to stay with you, but he tells
me that he fears it will not be possible for him to be [illegible] this Spring.

With warm regards to Mrs. Green and yourself, and best wishes for the
New Year,

[illegible] sincerely yours,

Dictated Dec. 28th.

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[illegible] Usui:

I have been so sorry to [illegible] I [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] if the [illegible] been [illegible] did, [illegible] I can't [illegible] a change in [illegible] both in the [illegible] and the [illegible] of life. [illegible] from the [illegible] of our hearts and [illegible] [illegible] Today. I shall never [illegible] of friendship with you and [illegible] girls. [illegible] go in the [illegible] grieve [illegible] adding [illegible]

[illegible] What [illegible] going [illegible] will [illegible] a right [illegible] if it doesn't give us a glimpse of [illegible] I hope [illegible] you [illegible] are well, and that [illegible]

[illegible] little [illegible] the city of [illegible]

[illegible] you [illegible] to you all, [illegible]

[illegible] sincerely yours,

January 4th, 1927.

Mrs. E.A.Little,

Diamond Pond,

Colebrook, N.H.

My dear Mrs. Little:

Mr. Stone has sent me your good letter of December 21st to him, telling of your great loss in the death of Mr. Little. Mrs. Speer and I were deeply sorry to learn of your great sorrow, and can imagine how different and lonesome the home is without the one who has been with you in it these many years. We shall always remember Mr. Little with the deepest regard and affection, and rejoice to have known him and to have seen, these many years, his beautiful white head and fine old face, and to have had him for a friend.

I wish that some of us might have been with you, and I am especially Mr. Stone could have been near at hand. But I know that you know that that we sympathize with you and have been with you and are with you now in the loneliness of the Winter.

We all missed very much our failure to see you last Summer, and I don't know what the coming Summer will bring. I have to go over to Scotland this week and be gone until March, and shall probably have to go back again in June.

I wish I could come up to tell you about the trip to South America, but some time in the future I can do that. Meanwhile, I am sending you, herewith, a little rope basket from the city of Barranquilla in the Republic of Colombia.

Mrs. Speer and the children and I send our love to you and to all the family, and with best wishes for the New Year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

mc.

[illegible], 1900.

[illegible] Lawrence,

[illegible],

Worsley, [illegible].

My dear Mrs. Wood:-

I do thank you heartily for your kind card of December 21st. I wish I were going to have some time for visiting, but I fear that there will not be any, as there seem to be lecture [illegible] enough to fill all the days that I hope to be on your side. I expect to sail on Wednesday on the "Umbria," and to go straight to Edinburgh, and then probably come back from Glasgow on the "Caledonia," sailing February 14th, so I shall not be in Chicago at all except on landing. I was [illegible] otherwise, but I must get through just as soon as possible and get back to home and work here.

With ever warm regard, and best wishes for the new Year, I am

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Dated Jan. 3rd.

January 5th, 1907.

[illegible] Strong,

[illegible] Street,

[illegible], New York,

[illegible] Madam:

[illegible] very much [illegible] have given any heed to the kind invitation in your note of December 29th, that I should stay to dinner after the reception, but I had been careless about getting [illegible] at the Hotel, not anticipating any. [illegible] place, but I had to come away as soon as possible, in any case, in view of another engagement in the evening.

It was very good of you to think of having [illegible] the reception, and I did thoroughly enjoy it.

With warmest regards to all, I am

Very faithfully yours,

[illegible]

Dictated Jan. 7th.

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[illegible]

[illegible] just a little additional note of good-bye to [illegible] and Annie. It was a great delight to see you at Dunbarton, and to have that little talk with [illegible]. I hope that you and Annie [illegible] all good things, and that your [illegible] may be good for you in all your life [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], Va.

[illegible]

It was lovely, this morning, [illegible] Dave for 20th. I am sorry that you have had to be [illegible] for a [illegible] child, and that Mrs. Holmes is not better, as we had [illegible], I should be thinking of you both [illegible] love while [illegible] at the first [illegible] [illegible] tomorrow and to be home [illegible].

I had a [illegible] [illegible] place. The [illegible] so great [illegible] [illegible] Everything depends, [illegible] the direction in which he is moving, and [illegible] and the [illegible] which [illegible] would be willing to go [illegible] place, I [illegible].

[illegible] Kennedy's request. It will not come to [illegible] [illegible], - [illegible], probably. There [illegible]

[illegible] I have [illegible] leave. I [illegible] of loving remembrance to you and [illegible]

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[illegible]

I [illegible]

I was a good deal to [illegible] the Hunsick Road [illegible], which - although [illegible] profit [illegible] fifteen years ago, but I fear that I should have [illegible] in-burgh.

Thanking you [illegible] for your letter, and with [illegible] greetings, I am

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[illegible]

January 6th, 1910.

The Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.,

New Haven, CONN.

My dear Mr. Stokes:

In accord with your kind note of December 18th and our conversation at New Haven, I shall be glad to hold Sunday, March 13th, for a second visit to Yale. I don't think that anything will interfere with my coming, but if I find that I shall be delayed on the other side, I will send you word as long in advance as possible.

With kind regards to Mrs. Stokes and yourself, and best wishes for the new year, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated Jan. 3rd.

January 6th, 1910.

The Rev. S.J.McPherson, D.D.,

Lawrenceville, N.J.

My dear Dr. McPherson:

Since writing about the possibility of my coming to Lawrenceville for March 13th, as well as for May 15th, Mr. Stokes has written from Yale urging me not to give up the March 13th date for New Haven. I had supposed that the possible uncertainty as to my return might lead them to wish to plan definitely for the day, but Mr. Stokes says that it will be all right to leave the day open, with the understanding that I can cable the week beforehand if I find it impossible to come. I would much rather go to Lawrenceville. I enjoy it far more. But I suppose that one ought to go to Yale to the larger student body, so that with your consent, perhaps I had better hold March 13th for Yale and come to Lawrenceville this year for May 15th.

With warm regards to all, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated Jan. 3rd.

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[illegible]

[illegible] of the Pennsylvania Medical Missionary Society on April 20th, [illegible] [illegible] in London, [illegible] delivering a course of missionary lectures. We are expecting him [illegible] some time in March, and shall hold your request for him here, bringing it to his attention immediately upon his return. [illegible] filled up for the time after his coming back to America, but it may be possible for him to accommodate your Society. [illegible] let you know.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

January 17th, 1910.

Mr. Wayne C. Jordan,

Queen's College,

Oxford, ENGLAND.

My dear Mr. Jordan:

Your kind invitation of January 2nd to Mr. Speer has come during his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, as you know. He sailed on January 5th from America, and although I cannot tell you definitely just where you could reach him now, a letter addressed to him in care of Kenneth Mackennon, Esq., 100 Princes Street, Edinburgh, Scotland, will reach him promptly. I believe he has received a previous invitation from your college, and had to decline it owing to the many other engagements which were made for him. I may be in error, however, and he will be able to tell you if you will communicate with him at the above address.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

January 17th, 1910.

Miss L. L. Potter,

Lasell Seminary,

Auburndale, Mass.

My dear Miss Potter:

In Mr. Speer's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your note of January 14th, in which you ask Mr. Speer to come and give a talk to the young women at Lasell. We are not expecting him to return until some time in March, but just as soon as he gets back your invitation will be brought to his attention and I know will receive careful consideration.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

January 17th, 1910.

Mr. William M. Fincke,

104 East 74th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Fincke:

Your note of January 13th, addressed to Mr. Speer, in which you ask him to make mention of the Conference which you are planning in his work among College men, has come during his absence. Mr. Speer is at present in Scotland, delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, and is not expecting to return until some time in March. It will be impossible, therefore, for him to be of any service to you in this connection.

With best wishes for the success of the Conference, I am

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

January 17th, 1910.

The Rev. D.A.Marshall,

The Moody Bible Institute,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

In Mr. Speer's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, your letter of January 15th has been handed to me. Mr. Speer is not expecting to return to America until some time in March, at which time he will write you definitely as to whether he could come to Chicago for a week some time between July 1st and August 15th. I fear, however, that it will be impossible for him to do so, in view of the fact that he will just have returned from the Edinburgh Conference at that time, and will be tied pretty closely to the offices.

He will write you positively about this, however, when he gets back.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

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Mr. Howard L. Mayo,

[illegible] Vernon Street,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mayo:

Your note of January 14th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures. He is expecting to return about March 6th, although there is some uncertainty as to this. Your request that he speak at the Second Annual Conference of the Greater Boston Student Volunteer League, however, will be held here until he returns and will be brought to his attention at once.

With best wishes for the success of the Conference, I am

Very cordially yours,

George H. Fisher

Acting Secretary.

January 1[illegible], 1910.

Mrs. Eleanor H. Dickson,

121 Cambridge Avenue,

St. Paul, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Dickson:

Your kind note of January 12th to Mr. Speer, inviting him to give a course of lectures at the University of Minnesota in June, 1910, has been received in his absence. Mr. Speer is at present in Scotland, delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, and will not return until some time in March. In June, however, the World Missionary Conference is to be held in Edinburgh, and Mr. Speer will be having to go abroad again for that, so that he won't be in America at the time of your Conference and will be unable to carry out your suggestion.

With best wishes for the work of the Summer School, I am

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Acting Secretary.

January [illegible], 1910.

[illegible] Hamilton,

[illegible] Hall,

[illegible] Street, New York.

Dear Sir:

Your postcard, inviting Mr. Speer to attend Mr. Edwards' lecture on "Street Cleaning in New York" [illegible] his absence in Scotland. He is not expecting to return until some time in March, so that it will be impossible for him to come to the lecture.

Very truly yours,

George W. Fuller

Acting Secretary.

January 17th, 1920.

[illegible] L. Dow,

[illegible] Gramercy Park,

[illegible] York City.

[illegible] Dear Mr. Dow:

On Saturday your letter of January 13th, addressed to Mr. Speer, [illegible] Park. Mr. Speer is now in Scotland, delivering a course of missionary [illegible] there, and is not expecting to return until some time in March. [illegible] therefore, that it will be impossible for him to render the service [illegible], on March 1st. I know that he would be glad to help if it were all practicable.

I have wondered whether the printed report of Mr. Speer's address on "[illegible] Effectively Without Notes," delivered before the students of [illegible] Bible Institute a year or more ago would be of any help to you. [illegible] was published in "The Bible To-day," and Mr. [illegible] O. Shelton, the [illegible], could supply you with copies of it, I am sure. I am sure the stud[illegible] of the National Training School would find it very helpful in this form.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

January 17th, 1910.

The Rev. Lord William Gascoyne-Cecil,

Hatfield,

Hatfield, Herts, ENGLAND.

My dear Lord Gascoyne-Cecil:

Your letter of January 6th has reached Mr. Speer's office during his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures and attending meetings in preparation for the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE to be held in June. He is not expecting to return until some time in March, when your letter will be brought to his attention. I am sure he will be glad to have this added light on the situation at Changsha. It has occurred to me that you might wish to communicate with Mr. Speer while he is in Great Britain, where he will be until the latter part of February. You could address him in care of Kenneth Maclennan, Esq., 102 Princes Street, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

Rev. Lucas Hopkins Miller,

Jamestown, N.Y.

My Dear Mr. Miller:

Your notice of the Graduate Advisory Committee Meeting on January 28th, received Mr. Spear's p 25 e in his absence on a visit to Scotland, where he is delivering a course of Hibbert Lectures. We are not expecting him to return until late in March, so that it will be impossible, of course, for him to attend the meeting next Saturday; will you kindly present his excuse ?

Very cordially yours,

George Foot Moore

January 19th, 1920.

President H. A. Garfield,

Williams College,

Williamstown, Mass.

My dear Sir:

Your kind invitation of January 13th, to Mr. Speer, has come in his absence on a visit to Scotland, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures. He is not expected to return until some time in March, so that the February 27th and March 6th dates would surely be impossible for him. Regarding the other dates, however, I cannot speak definitely. I shall hold your request here and bring it to his attention immediately upon his return, - about March 5th.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

[illegible] January [illegible], 1912.

Rev. [illegible]

2 Mandeville Street,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. MacPhail:

I am sorry to say, in reply to your letter of January [illegible], that Mr. Speer is in Scotland at the present time, delivering a course of missionary lectures, and that he is not expected to return until some time in March. [illegible] However, [illegible] it to his attention immediately [illegible] I trust he may be able to speak at the proposed Dinner, though it may not be possible for him to do so in view of the necessity of his being in the offices as much as possible after he gets back to catch up with accumulated work.

Trusting that the Dinner may be in every way a success, I am

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

January 30th, 1916.

Miss Elizabeth L. Hughes,

127 East 10th. Street,

New York City.

My dear Miss Hughes:

Your kind invitation to Mr. Speer reached his office this morning in his absence on a visit to Scotland, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until some time in March, - probably on March [illegible] I hold your letter here awaiting his return. He will let you know as soon as possible whether he can [illegible] the address you suggest.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

January 21st, 1910.

Rev. A.H.Evans, D.D.,

330 Lexington Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Evans:

Your note of January 20th, in which you ask Mr. Speer to speak at your Men's Dinner on the evening of February 16th has been received. Mr. Speer is at present in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, and as he will not be returning until some time in March it will be impossible for him to carry out your suggestion.

I hope that you may be able to secure some good man in his place, and that the Dinner may be a great success.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

January 21st, 1910.

Mr. James R. Campbell, M.A.,

Essex Falls, New York.

My dear Mr. Campbell,

Your kind note of January 20th reached the offices this morning. Mr. Speer is in Scotland now, delivering a course of missionary lectures there, and we are expecting to have him back on March 6th, though it may be later. Your invitation to him will be brought to his attention immediately upon his return, and I sincerely hope that he may find it possible to come to speak to the boys at Kingsley School. I know what a help he would be to them.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

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[illegible]

My Dear Mr. Elvidge:

Your letter of January 20th, addressed to Mr. Speer, in which you ask him to give a Sunday afternoon address at the Association on any Sundays between October 16th, 1910 and March 30th, 1911, has been received in his absence. Mr. Speer is at present in Scotland, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures, and we are not expecting him back until some time in March. Your invitation will be brought to his attention immediately upon his return, and he will let you know whether it will be possible for him to come to Allentown.

Very cordially yours,

George Nicholson

Acting Secretary.

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[illegible]

[illegible] for the [illegible]

[illegible] 1.00. [illegible]

[illegible] kindly [illegible]

to the address given below.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I am

Very truly yours,

Grace [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Speer, has been received, together with the [illegible] "Presbyterian Church Messenger", for which I thank you. Mr. Speer is at present in the Island, delivering the [illegible] Lectures, and will return, in March, when your letter will be given him.

[illegible]

George [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. Spencer:

Your letter of January 24th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence. He is now in Scotland, delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures there, but he is expecting to get back to New York by March 6th, so that I fear it will be impossible for him to be of any service to you on April 27th, as you suggest. I believe he is not to be in England at all, but will be coming to America just as soon as possible after the course of lectures has been given. You might write to him, however, addressing him in care of Kenneth Lindsay, Esq., 100 Princes Street, Edinburgh, Scotland, and he will let you know definitely about this.

Very cordially yours,

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Dear Mrs. Peterson:

Your kind invitation of January 24th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures. We are not expecting him back until some time in March, and shall bring your letter to his attention immediately upon his return.

Hoping that it may be possible for him to carry out your suggestion, I am

Very cordially yours,

George W. Fish
Acting Secretary.

February 2nd, 1910.

Miss Ethel Hunter,
National Y.W.C.A., Girgaum,
Bombay, INDIA.

My dear Miss Hunter.

Your kind invitation of [illegible] to Mr.Speer, [illegible] received in his absence in Scotland. [illegible] missionary lectures. I think [illegible] attend the Conference in India, [illegible] here, awaiting his return, - about March [illegible]. He will send you definite word as to whether he plans to be in your country at the time of the National Conference.

Very cordially yours,

George McDougall
Acting Secretary.

February 2nd, 1910.

Rev. Irvine, D.D.,

Gettysburg, Pa.

My dear Dr. Irvine:

Your letter of February 1st, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures. We are now expecting him back until some time in March, - probably March 6th. I know, however, that he has made engagements for all his available time in March and April, so that I fear it will be impossible for him to carry out your suggestion. If you desire to mention a later date, I shall be pleased to forward this request.

Very cordially yours,

George W. Sadler

Acting Secretary.

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My dear [illegible] Brother:

I [illegible] sorry to have to say that Mr. Morris's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of addresses by invitation, will prevent his [illegible] a Church II Service on February 1st. He is not expecting to [illegible] until some time in March, but I know that he would have [illegible] to render any service either in person if he were here at the [illegible] the proposed service.

We are [illegible] of the [illegible] which our Society is [illegible] in this [illegible]. There is an immense opportunity [illegible], and we [illegible] to hear.

Yours [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible], 1[illegible].

Mr. [illegible] [illegible],

Valparaiso, Indiana.

My dear [illegible],

I am sorry Mr. Speer is not here to answer your kind invitation of January [illegible]. He is at present in Scotland, where he is following a course of [illegible] study. [illegible] I will hold your letter here awaiting his return, - about the 6th of March. I trust that he may be able to render the service which you suggest.

Very cordially yours,

George W. Fuller

February 3rd, 1910.

Mr. Frank M. Boyd,

Missionary Training Institute,

Nyack, New York.

My dear Mr. Boyd:

Your kind invitation to Mr. Speer to address one of your Friday evening meetings has been received in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. I shall hold it here, awaiting his return, - probably March 5th - and he will let you know whether it will be possible for him to come.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

[illegible], [illegible], 1911.

[illegible],

229 East 32nd St.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Burdick,

I will be [illegible] your letter to Mr. [illegible] [illegible] inst., enclosing the letter of introduction from Miss [illegible]. I regret to state that Mr. [illegible] is at present in Bermuda and will not be back until sometime in March. Your letter will be placed where he can see it on his return. I am also [illegible] he will be [illegible], [illegible] and will [illegible] you when to call at his office.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 4th, 1916.

Mr. Frank Dale Warren,

225 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Warren:

Your bill for $1.00, addressed to Mr. Speer, covering annual dues for 1916 to the New York Association of the Alumni of Phillips Academy, has been handed to Mr. Speer in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. We shall hold it here until his return, - the 6th of March - at which time it will be brought to his immediate attention.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

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[illegible]

[illegible] Invitation to Mr. [illegible] for Second Lecture [illegible] Institute [illegible] Alliance in Scotland, [illegible] is delivering a series of literary lectures. It is not expecting to [illegible] well [illegible].

I [illegible], however, that it [illegible] impossible [illegible] to [illegible] in view of the fact that he is [illegible] to visit [illegible] Scotland in June, to attend the World's Literary Congress [illegible]. I shall hold the invitation [illegible], however, and bring it to Mr. [illegible] attention [illegible] on his return.

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[illegible]

February 11th, 1910.

Rev. Wilbur F. Tillett, D.D.,

Vanderbilt University,

Nasville, TENN.

My dear Sir:

I am sorry Mr. Speer is not here to give you a definite reply with reference to your kind invitation to him to deliver the Cole Lectures for 1911. He is at present in Scotland, delivering the Duff Missionary Lectures, and we are not expecting him back until March 6th. I shall hold your letter here and shall bring it to his attention immediately upon his return.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

February 11th, 1910.

Rev. William Herbert Hummel, D.D.,

First Presbyterian Church,

Youngstown, OHIO.

My dear Dr. Hummel:

I am sorry to have to say that Mr. Speer will not be in America on the 1st, at the time of the Lam's Banquet. He is in Scotland now, delivering a series of missionary lectures, and we are not expecting him back until March 6th.

I trust that both the campaign and the banquet may be in every way successful.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

February 14th, 1910.

Rev. Alexander Lamb,

Brindley Church,

Lawrence, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Lamb:

In reply to your note of February 11th I would say that we do not [illegible] Mr. Spurr's [illegible], so that I cannot say [illegible] ability of his being able to accept your invitation for May [illegible] very important that you should now definitely decide [illegible] invitation to him is declined, if you will let me know [illegible] No hesitate to decide [illegible] any other [illegible] would be in the [illegible] should, but if you feel so, I shall forward your letter to him.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible],
[illegible],
[illegible],
[illegible],

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

I am sorry to have to say that Mr. Speer is absent from the [illegible] City, and I fear he will not be able to answer your kind invitation personally. He is expecting to return on March 6th, however, and that the your letter will be brought to his immediate attention.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

February 14th, 1910.

Ferdinand H. Cassel,

[illegible] Royal Avenue,

Montreal, Ont., Canada.

Dear Mr. Cassel:

[illegible] in Scotland, [illegible] following the [illegible] Missionary Lectures, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of [illegible] 11th, [illegible] copy of Mr. Speer's report of his visit to South America. That report has not as yet been [illegible] from the printer, and we are expecting it within a few days. The [illegible] the edition will be [illegible] outside orders, but if it is, we shall be glad to [illegible] your name put on the list.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

February 14th, [illegible]

Mr. Charles Hall,

Church of [illegible],

[illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible],

Your note of February 12th [illegible] in Scotland, where he is [illegible] a course of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until [illegible] in March, but before he left he had every [illegible] engaged for March and April, so that I fear it will be impossible for you to secure his presence for dig Sunday before April 1st. It may be, however, that a [illegible] can be taken Sunday.

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[illegible]

February 14th, 1910.

Rev. Alexander McAffin,

Euclid Avenue Presbyterian Church,

Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. McAffin:

Mr. Speer is in Scotland at present, where he is expecting to remain until early March, so that he cannot answer immediately your note of the 14th. It will be brought to his attention upon his return, however, and he will let you know whether it will be possible for him to come for the evening of September 27th.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 13th, 1920.

The Rev. Daniel Hoffman Martin, D.D.,

First Presbyterian Church,

Glens Falls, New York.

My Dear Dr. Martin:

Your kind invitation to Mr. Speer reached his office this morning in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. He is expecting to reach New York on March 6th. I fear, therefore, that it will be impossible for him to comply with your request, although I know he would have been glad to be of any service within his power, if he were to be in this country at the time of the proposed Laymen's Convention at Glens Falls.

Trusting that the Convention may be in every way successful, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 16th, 1910.

Rev. Wilbur F. Tillett, D.D.,
Vanderbilt University,
Nashville, TENN.

My dear Sir:

I received your note of February 14th this morning. It is our custom, when Mr. Speer is away, to hold all invitations to him until his return, and we dislike to trouble him with any office matters while he is gone in view of the many calls upon his time. Occasionally, however, when the request is made, we do send invitations on to him, but as he expects to sail from Liverpool on February 26th it would be too late for your request to reach him before sailing. We shall have to hold it here until his return, accordingly. I will mark it "important" and he will answer it just as soon as he gets an opportunity to dictate.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 9th, 1910.

Rev. Alexander Mann,

Trinity Church,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mann:

I am very sorry to have to say that the last mail which will reach Mr. Speer before he sails from Liverpool on February 26th was sent yesterday morning. No mail sent now will reach him before his departure from England. I shall have to hold your invitation here, accordingly, and shall ask Mr. Speer to give it his immediate attention. He will let you know with reference to it as soon as possible after he gets back.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 17th, 1910.

Mr. George M. Fowler,

150 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Fowler:

Mr. Speer is absent in Scotland at present, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures, so that your kind invitation of the 14th will have to await his return, - probably on March 5th. He will let you know as soon as possible whether it will be practicable for him to be of service to you at the Annual Epworth League Institute the second week of August.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 18th, 1910.

W.J. Wilkinson,

Pottstown, PA.

My dear Mr. Wilkinson:

Your note of February 17th has been received in Mr. Speer's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a course of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until March 6th, and I shall hold your letter until he gets back, when he will let you know whether it will be possible for him to carry out your suggestion.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 21st, 1910.

Professor H.C.Biddle,

University of California,

Berkeley, CAL.

My dear Professor Biddle:

Your letter of February14th has been received in Mr. Speer's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until some time in March, Probably March 6th, and your invitation will be brought to his attention at that time and he will let you know whether it will be practicable for him to accept the invitation to deliver the series of lectures which you suggest.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 23rd, 1910.

Rev. Walter L. Whallon,

Broad Avenue Presbyterian Church,

Altoona, Pa.

My dear Mr. Whallon:

Your note of February 22nd has been received in Mr. Speer's absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until March 8th. He shall hold your letter here, accordingly, until he gets back, when he will let you know as soon as possible whether it will be possible for him to be of service to you on September 13th.

Very sincerely yours,

Adam Scrymgeour.

February 23rd, 1910.

Rev. Henry B. Master,

First Presbyterian Church,

East Mayne, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Master:

Your kind invitation of February 15th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in the office here in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until some time in March, - probably March 6th - and at that time your note will be brought to his attention and he will let you know whether he can carry out your suggestion.

Very sincerely yours,

Adlai Hardinge.

[illegible] March, 1910.

Rev. Seldon L. Haynes,

Kingston Presbyterian Church,

Kingston, Ala.

My dear Mr. Haynes:

Your note of February 22nd has been received in Mr. Speer's absence in [illegible], where he is [illegible] series of Missionary Lectures. He is expected back on March 5th, and at that time your invitation will be [illegible]. If [illegible] possible after his return about 15th it will be practicable for him to come to Kingston.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

February 28th, 1910.

Mr. F.P.Turner,

125 East 27th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Turner:

In a letter just received from Mr. Speer from Scotland, he requests me to send you a list of his expenses to the Rochester Convention. They are as follows:

Sleeper to Rochester	$ 2.00
Expenses	16.55
Total	$ 18.55

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

Elizabeth Fulton

[illegible], N.J.

[illegible]

[illegible] Bruen Street,

Newark, N.J.

My dear Miss Carter:

I have just received a letter from Mr. Speer in which he says I will you please write to Miss Carter that I shall be very [illegible] at the meeting to-morrow on the afternoon of March 20th. I know that you will be glad to have this message, and I can imagine what a help it will be to have Mr. Speer with you at the meeting, which I hope will be successful in every way.

With best wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Frank [illegible]

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

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Mr. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I know that you will be delighted to hear that Mr. Speer has written me that he will be very [illegible] to speak at the meeting of your Presbyterial Society on the afternoon of April 1st. The letter came this morning, and I am [illegible] the message to you [illegible]

I can imagine that you will be glad to have this burden lifted off your mind thus quickly, and hope that the meeting will be successful in every way.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

February 23th, 1910.

Mr. Percy E. Wilmot,

Crozer Theological Seminary,

Chester, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wilmot:

Your kind invitation of the 15th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence in Scotland, where he is delivering a series of missionary lectures. He is not expecting to return until March 4th. I might say in his absence, however, that on the date of your meeting, May 29th, Mr. Speer will undoubtedly be on his to Edinburgh, where he is expecting to attend the World Missionary Conference to be held there in June. I fear, therefore, that it will be impossible for him to be of any service to you.

I hope that it may be possible for you to secure some other good speaker in his place.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

February 28th, 1910.

Professor John Meigs,

The Hill School,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor Meigs:

Mr. Speer is not expecting to reach New York until March 6th. In his absence, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your note of yesterday, in which you ask him to hold March 13th for a visit to the Hill School. I am sorry to have to say that Mr. Speer has already engaged to give an address to the Yale students on that Sunday, so that it will be impracticable for him to do as you suggest.

I shall hold your note here and bring it to his attention immediately upon his return, in order that he may see what you have written with reference to the March 20th date.

I hope that you may be able to provide satisfactorily for the 13th.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

[illegible]

Mr. L. C. Turner

[illegible]

New York City.

My dear Turner,

[illegible]

It is of the utmost importance that all that is said and printed should be absolutely accurate, and I should be, [illegible], if I could see the copy of the Manuscript before it was set in type. If before printing or after one set of it in copy [illegible] have wanted to let Lithgow [illegible] review. I should be glad to do the same of something I would be [illegible].

[illegible] regards to Mr. Turner and yourself.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] H. Powell [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible] New York City.

[illegible]

[illegible] as soon as possible a copy of a book or pamphlet [illegible] F. B. Meyer, entitled "The Wisdom of God's Word". [illegible] Dale Lectures, but the quotation was made from a [illegible] copy. [illegible] like to verify it.

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[illegible]

[illegible] of yesterday is just received. This is my first day [illegible] in my [illegible] and I have not been able to [illegible] definitely, on the sub- [illegible] of conse- cration or the doing of the will of God would be appropriate.

Very sincerely yours,

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March 10th, 1910.

Mr. Frank M. Boyd,

Missionary Training Institute,

Nyack, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Boyd,

I have just returned to New York and write at once in reply to your kind note of February 2nd. I have had the pleasure of speaking at the Friday night meetings in Nyack in the past and should be happy to come up sometime this winter or spring, but just at present I have my engagement book overfull and must not undertake anything more. Sometime later if it becomes possible, I shall be glad to come.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. Willis L. Gelston,

1319 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Gelston,

I have just returned to New York and write at once in reply to your kind letter of January 27th. Everything is indefinite with me in the matter of summer appointments. There is a possibility that I may stay over in Scotland after the World Missionary Conference in June, and until that matter is decided I cannot say anything about the possibility of engagements on this side. I shall be glad to keep your letter and if I find that I shall be here and, being here, I can arrange to get to either of the conferences, I shall let you know. I am a little afraid that even if I am here, I shall either be tied down to the office by the absence of others, or shall be away myself, trying to write up some of the material that has been promised for delivery within the next twelve months, which includes three books and more articles than it is comfortable to think about at once: but if I am here and I can possibly arrange it, I will come to help you in the conferences or in any other way that I can.

With best wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mrs. Gilbert McIntosh,

Foley House,

West Kilbride, Scotland.

My dear Mrs. McIntosh,

I got back to New York safely this week and find your note of February 25th, with Mr. McIntosh's manuscript. I shall be glad to go over it and to see what can be done to secure its publication.

I am sorry that I could not get to see you while in Scotland, but I hope that you and the children are well.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1916.

The Rev. William J. Wilkinson,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wilkinson,

I have just returned to New York and write at once to say that I expect to be at The Hill Sunday, March 20th, and shall be glad to speak in the church that evening, if there is nothing at The Hill to conflict. I shall leave it, accordingly, to you and Professor, and shall be only too happy to see the many friends in the church and speak to them and be of such service as I can to you.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Professor John Maine,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor,

I landed on Monday, after a voyage half-stormy, half-calm, and am happily at home and at work again. I find in the correspondence your good note of February 27th. I wish I had had March 13th free, so that I could have at once made the change, but it is impossible to readjust the Yale appointment now, so that in accordance with your note to Miss Fourth, I shall look forward to coming over for the 20th.

I had a very pleasant and very busy six weeks in Scotland. I had a nice note from Dwight, telling me of the blessing that has come to Mr. and Mrs. Bowman and inviting me down to visit him and Mrs. Dwight, but I was not able to get down to either Cambridge or Oxford.

Please don't acknowledge this. I shall turn up sometime in the evening of the 19th.

I have a note from Mr. Wilkinson, asking me to speak at the church some Sunday evening and am telling him that I shall be glad to do so on the evening of the 20th, if there is nothing to conflict.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Miss Lillie R. Potter,

Auburndale, Mass.

My dear Miss Potter,

I have just returned to New York and write at once in reply to your kind note of January 14th. I am sorry that it will not be possible to get to Lasell Seminary this school year, but I have been out of the country so much that my engagements have become very much complicated for the time that I am here, and I don't see any way of working in a visit to Auburndale.

With good wishes for the best success of the school, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Principal D. J. Waller, Jr.,

Bloomsburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Waller,

I have just returned from abroad and write at once in reply to your kind note of January 27th. I know very well of the school and of your relationship to it, and have often talked about you and it with Mr. Hand. I should be happy to come over for the commencement if I were to be in the country and free at the time, but I have to be in Scotland in June at the World Missionary Conference and fear that I shall not be back until July at the earliest.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Miss Ethel Hunter,

National Y. W. C. A.,

Girgaum,

Bombay, India.

My dear Miss Hunter,

On returning from Scotland this week I found your kind note of January 8th waiting. I wish I could have the pleasure of attending the Quadrennial Conference at Calcutta this coming winter, but I have no expectation of being in India this year or next, much as I should like to go out, both to visit our own Missions and to attend the conference on work for Moslems.

I had a delightful visit in your home at Kilbarchan, while in Scotland. I went out with your father and he brought me back in the afternoon in the motor. It was a most happy experience, and to crown it your brother was good enough to come down to the train to say Good-bye to me when I was leaving Glasgow for home.

With best wishes for your work, I am,

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. J. A. Huffman,

Bethel Publishing Co.,

Dayton, O.

My dear Mr. Huffman,

I have just returned from abroad and find your kind letter of December 8th, which was not received until after I left on January 5th. It has come too late to enable me to be of any help to you in the preparation of the new calendar, but even if I had been here I doubt whether with all the other work already undertaken I could have given the help desired, as I should have been happy to do. I trust the calendar may prove very serviceable.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mrs. J. A. Hudson,

501 South 45th St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Hudson,

Your kind note of February 12th was received some days ago and would have been answered earlier, but I have been abroad and just returned this week. As far as I can now see, I could speak to your young people on Saturday evening, April 16th, as I have to spend the following day in Philadelphia. I shall be glad to hold this evening, if this would be satisfactory, although I think it might be better if you would defer making any definite arrangements until the last week in March, if you can do so, and will communicate with me again then, when I can let you know definitely whether it will be possible to come.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Miss Elizabeth C. Winn,

Merion, Pa.

My dear Miss Winn,

I have just returned from Scotland and write at once in reply to your kind note of January 13th. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to attend the meeting of the Medical Missionary Society on April 28th, as I have to speak in Cincinnati on the evening of the 27th and cannot get back until Thursday night and must be in New York Friday morning. I remember very well speaking at a meeting of the Society at the beginning of its history, I think it must have been the second or third year, at the home of Mrs. Baird.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910,

Professor R. C. Vaster,

Blacksburg, Va.

My dear Professor Vaster,

I returned to America this week and write at the first opportunity in reply to your kind letter of February 7th. As Dr. Fulton wrote in acknowledging the letter, I expect to be in Scotland during the month of June, attending the World's Missionary Conference, so that it will not be possible for me to have the pleasure, which I should rejoice to have if I could, of speaking at the Commencement of the Institute.

With cordial recollections of the days at Knoxville long ago, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mr. Wm. F. Rea,

337 1/2 West 55th St.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Rea,

I write at the earliest moment on returning to New York in reply to your kind letter of February 18th. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to be of any help in connection with the proposed meetings the first week in May, as I have other engagements for the first days of the week and then must go to Chicago for the National Missionary Conference of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. I am sorry that I shall not be free to give the help that I should be glad to give if I could.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mr. George M. Fowles,

150 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Fowles,

I have just returned to New York and write at once in reply to your kind note of February 15th. I wish I could accept your invitation, but I shall either be abroad at the time of the institute or be in this country away from New York, trying to redeem pledges which have been made for literary work. I am very sorry, as I should have been glad to accept your invitation if I were free.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. C. R. Watson, D.D.,

200 North 15th St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Watson,

I enclose herewith a copy of my reply to Mr. Douglas' kind invitation.

I hope that you are well, and with every warm regard, I am,

Faithfully yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. A. C. Douglas,

Des Moines, Ia.

My dear Mr. Douglas,

I have just returned to New York and write at once in reply to your kind letter of February 18th. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to attend the convention in Topeka on August 5th. I remember attending the convention held in Saratoga some years ago and should be happy to come this year if I were free; but I shall either be abroad or so engaged here as to be unable to get to Kansas at the time of the convention.

Thanking you heartily for your kind invitation, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. N. L. MacPhail,

2 Waumbeck St.,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. MacPhail,

I have just returned from abroad and write at once to reply to your kind letter of January 17th. I remember very well attending some years ago one of these annual dinners of the Presbyterians of Boston. It was a very delightful occasion and I should be glad to come this year, if it were at all possible, but I have my engagement book already filled for this spring and overfilled, when I look at the other work that has to be done. I am very sorry, as I should be happy to accept your invitation if I were free.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Miss Mary A. Wolfe,

State University of Iowa,

Iowa City, Ia.

My dear Miss Wolfe,

Your very kind note of February 10th was received and acknowledged while I was in Scotland. I wish I could accept your invitation, but I cannot have any hope of being able to be in Iowa next fall. I have no present engagements there at that time and could not take the time that would be necessary to go out from New York for the purpose of this special meeting. I am sorry to have to write thus as I should be glad to promise to come if I saw any prospect of being able to reach Iowa.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mr. Delevan L. Pierson,

44 East 23rd St.,

New York City.

My dear Del,

I got back to New York on Monday and am once more spending the hours talking into a letter basket. The letter on top of the pile at this moment is your beautiful ultramarine of February 18th. I appreciate the generous enclosure in your letter of February 8th and thank you for the extra copies of the magazine containing the article.

With reference to the Rochester address on South America, you are quite welcome to it if Turner is willing, provided you will let me look over it again before you print it. I want to make sure that everything is absolutely correct, so that when the criticism comes I can stand by what I have said without budging. I have a great number of photographs which Mr. Cook, who was with me, took, and should be glad to have you use any of them if you wish, if he consents, as I am sure that he will.

Very affectionately yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mr. Arthur McMurtrie,

c/o U. S. Banking Co.,

Mexico City, Mexico.

My dear Arthur,

I have just returned from Scotland, where I have been since the first of the year, and only received on Monday night when I reached home your good letter of February 10th from Neosho. I heard from Aunt Clara before I left that you were going to Neosho, but had not known that you were going on to Mexico. I am glad to learn from your letter and also from your postal-card to Elliott that you had done so. I can imagine what an interesting visit you have been having, for I have been in Mexico City several times. You will have met by this time the missionaries, to whom I should have written about your coming if I had been at home. I hope you liked the Memorial Church at Coyoacan.

I shall be glad to do anything that I can to help Mr. Hess, but am so far away from the conditions in Washington and Oregon that I don't know what openings there may be there or whether any particular opening there is a good one or not. I am writing, though, to the Rev. W. S. Holt, D.D., of Portland, Ore., who knows those two states better thanany other man and whose business it is to see that the work of the Presbyterian Church out there is as well provided for as possible. He will know whether there is any opening that it would be well for Mr. Hess to consider, and I shall ask him to write directly to Mr. Hess.

I take it for granted that you have met Mr. Wallace and Mr. Vanderbilt. Mr. Wallace has charge of the school in Coyoacan and Mr. Vanderbilt of the press. Mr. Vanderbilt's city office is Apartado 305, Mexico City.

We had quite an interesting time coming across the Atlantic, meeting one rough day a Russian steamship which was in a sinking condition and from

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Mr. Arthur McMurtrie-Page 2,

we took off the crew of forty-seven men and one dog.

I was glad to get a letter this morning from Uncle Stewart and to know that he and Aunt Clara are well. I trust that you may have a fine visit and may enjoy your stay in Mexico.

With much love from us all,

Your nephew,

March 10th, 1910.

President F. H. Rossman,

Winfield, Kansas.

My dear President Rossman,

I have just returned from abroad and write at once in reply to your kind letter of December 30th. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to attend the quarter-centennial celebration at the commencement this spring, but we have our annual conference with our newly-appointed missionaries, the last week in May and I shall be sailing immediately thereafter for Edinburgh to attend the World's Missionary Conference. I am sorry that I am not to be here and free to accept your most kind invitation.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Prof. Wilbur F. Tillett, D.D.,

Vanderbilt University,

Nashville, Tenn.

My dear Dr. Tillett,

I have just returned from Scotland and write at once in reply to your most kind letter of February 9th. I appreciate highly the honor of the appointment to the Cole Lectureship, of which I have long known, and my only hesitation as to accepting springs from the question of my ability to do such work in connection with the lectureship as would alone justify its acceptance, in view of the other obligations which have been already assumed. I have, however, done the main work on some lectures dealing with the great problems and phases of missionary work in connection with some great typical personalities; for example, the question of the ascetic ideal, represented by George Bowen, of the educational ideal, represented by Alexander Duff, the statesman-crusader ideal represented by Chinese Gordon, the evangelist-crusader ideal represented by Raymond Lull, etc. If a course like this would be satisfactory, I should be glad to accept at once, with the purpose of turning the whole matter over carefully in mind to see whether the course suggested would be the best channel for my message, or some other, in case there were time for the adequate development of some other course. It may be, however, that you would prefer that some line quite distinct from the missionary line should be presented. If I may be free to take that line as indicated, however, in case I cannot find time for working out some of the other trains of thought which I have not worked through so fully as yet, I should be glad to accept.

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Prof. Wilbur F. Tillett, D.D.-Sec 2.

With sincere appreciation of your cordial letter, I am,

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated March 9th.

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Mrs. E. S. Ormsby, Jr.,

4425 Larchwood Ave.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Ormsby,

I got back from Scotland on Monday and write at the first opportunity in reply to your very kind letter of February 8th. I should be happy to come over for the Presbyterial Meeting if I were to have the time, but my engagement book is already overfilled and I dare not put in anything more. If I were free, I would say "Yes" at once.

With kind regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 9th.

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The Rev. Alexander Mann, D.D.,
Trinity Church,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Mann,

I am back at my desk for the first time to-day and write at once in reply to your kind letters with regard to the Students' Service in Trinity Church on May 8th. I should be happy to come if I were free, but I already have engagements for that Sunday at Amherst and Smith Colleges.

Thanking you heartily for your kind invitation, I am,

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated March 9th.

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Mrs. Jessie Peterson,
66 Walnut St.,
Lockport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Peterson,

Your very kind note of January 24th I found awaiting my return to New York on Monday. I write at once to say how sorry I am that it will not be possible for me to come to the meeting at Albion on April 7th or 8th. I have already engagements which will prevent my coming to the Presbyterial Meeting at that time. I should be glad to come if I were free.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

Mrs. Frederick E. Stockwell,

84 Grand St.,

Newburg, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stockwell,

I find that all day April 20th and 21st are to be filled with committee meetings. On the 20th, the Central Committee of all the American and Canadian missionary boards, with the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and the 21st with a meeting of the Executive Committee of the World Missionary Conference. I am sorry, accordingly, that it will not be possible for me to come to the North River Presbyterial Meeting either of those days, as I should have been glad to do if free.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1910.

The Rev. Eugene Hill,

Garfield, N. J.

My dear Mr. Hill,

Your kind note of March 7th is just received. Judge Lowe very cordially invited me sometime ago to speak at one of the meetings of the Pastors Association, and I told him that I should be glad to do so, but it was not practicable just at that time for us to find a day that was mutually convenient. I am sorry to have to say now that April 18th will not be possible for me either, as I have engagements on Sunday that will take me away from the city and have a meeting of our Board on the afternoon of that day.

I have been out of the country for the last two months and things have got very much congested, so that there are practically no free days left for new appointments.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible] Wednesday night after the meeting, I should [illegible] advantage if it in order to attend a meeting [illegible] I am quite [illegible] going on. I will be glad [illegible] in Hollinghead in any way that [illegible] and [illegible] Hodges [illegible]

Very cordially yours,

March 12th, 1910.

Miss Elizabeth L. Ely,

Greenwich, Conn.

My dear Miss Ely,

It was a pleasure to receive this morning your note of March 9th. I wish I could come up some Sunday, but I have every Sunday engaged until summertime and none of those engagements are in the neighborhood of Greenwich or I should be glad to try to come to the school for the afternoon.

Very cordially yours,

March 14th, 1910.

Miss Carrie L. Cushier,

308 West 22nd St.,

New York City.

My dear Miss Cushier,

I am sorry to have to say that I shall have to be out of the city on Tuesday afternoon, March 22nd. It may be possible for me to make some other arrangement which will allow me to be here, but it is very uncertain and I shall not know till the end of the week whether this can be done. I think it would be better if you would try to get the Rev. George C. Lenington, who was born in Brazil and who has kept in close touch with the work there and who has a brother and sister now in Brazil, to come. He is pastor of a church in Staten Island, where his address is 43 Madison Avenue, Tompkinsville, N. Y. If he is unable to come and I find that I can avoid being away as I now fear I shall be, I will, of course, be happy to come.

Very sincerely yours,

March 14th, 1910.

The Rev. A. McLean, D.D.,

Box 884,

Cincinnati, O.

My dear Dr. McLean,

Your very kind note of March 11th is just received. I should be glad to speak at your annual convention in Topeka next October, but I have already an invitation to speak at the Centennial of the American Board the same date, and as I shall have to be here in the East at that time as far as I can now see, I fear it will not be possible for me to have the pleasure of going to Topeka. If sometime in the future I could be of any service to you, I should be most happy.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very faithfully yours,

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Kenneth Maclennan,

100 Princes St.,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Mr. Maclennan,

I reached home safely last Monday, after a restful voyage. The first half was very rough, but the last half was most peaceful. We got in a day late, having been delayed partly by the rough weather and partly by our stopping for an afternoon to take off the crew of a sinking Russian steamship.

On returning to my office I found your letter of February 26th, which I am sending to Mott, although I presume you have already said all that is necessary in your letter to him. I shall be glad to confer with him as soon as there is an opportunity, but write meanwhile to say that I think there is no prospect of my being able to come over in May. I have been here only two months out of the last ten, and if I am to do my work efficiently must really take some time to get it in hand. Our own General Assembly meets in May, and while I hope it may not be necessary for me to attend this year, the attendance of others will tie me to the offices if I don't have to go to the Assembly myself. I should be glad to come if I could. The works in Scotland make it seem very homelike and the many friendships formed would add a special pleasure to the privilege of speaking at the Assemblies. I hope that the new missionary interest which is awakening throughout the country may steadily increase, as I am sure it will, and yield an abundant fruitage.

Please give my kindest regards to all in the office and to Mrs. Maclennan.

Your sincere friend,

March 14th, 1910.

The Rev. S. N. Haynes,

Kingston, Pa.

My dear Mr. Haynes,

I appreciate your cordial invitation to come up to speak at Kingston, and I should be glad to do so if I were free, but every Sunday is filled until summertime and the week days are overfilled also from now until June. I shall be glad to lay your letter aside, however, and if I find, in making up the schedule next fall and winter that it is possible to plan for a visit to Kingston, I shall let you know. It is discouraging, however, to see how little time there is and how many interruptions there are. The last ten months, for example, I have been only two months in the United States, and I don't know how next year will be broken up. I hope that you will not put off until next year having some missionary speaker from without, and would suggest your getting some one of the best men now on hand from the mission field. Dr. Walser's office could furnish you with a list of available men if you would like to have it.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 12th.

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The Rev. Henry Hallam Tweedy,

668 West Divinity Hall,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Tweedy,

It was a great pleasure to get your note of March 9th. I remember the old days very well, and know, of course, also of your new work in connection with the Divinity School.

I shall be very glad to take one of the Monday afternoon hours of which you write. It would have to be either the second or fourth Monday of some month, as our Board meets on the first and third Mondays, and it would be convenient for me to have it some Monday afternoon when I was either in New Haven or would be passing through on my way back to New York.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Thomas Wood,

4 Gleason St.,

Dorchester, Mass.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Your kind letter of March 4th is received. I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to help in the annual meetings, as I should be glad to do if I could, but I expect to be in Scotland during the month of June in connection with the World Missionary Conference to be held at that time in Edinburgh.

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated March 13th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. H. S. Clarkson,

11 Buhl Block,

Detroit, Mich.

Dear Mr. Clarkson,

Your kind note of March 9th has been duly received. I wish I could accept your invitation on behalf of the Brotherhood of the Westminster Church, but I have my engagement book already full and cannot hope to get to Detroit any time this spring. If it were possible, I would be happy to come.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 12th.

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Mr. E. S. McMurtrie,

Hotel Royal Palm,

Miami, Biscayne Bay, Fla.

My dear Uncle Stewart,

I returned from Scotland on Monday last, having had a very interesting experience. I am glad to get back to warm houses again, however, especially to a warm bathroom in the morning. It may be healthful and heroic to take one's morning bath in the coolness of out-of-doors, but it isn't comfortable. I had a very rough voyage going over, and half of the way was very rough coming back, but the last half was as smooth and pleasant as could be.

With reference to the "St. Nicholas" and the "Youth's Companion", I asked Erma and the children and find out that the "St. Nicholas" has not come. Regarding the "Youth's Companion", I am not sure, because someone else subscribed for it for Elliott also, but he wrote to the paper asking them to transfer this subscription to a missionary boy in South America. Elliott is receiving one copy and I don't know which one this is, but I am writing to the "Youth's Companion" to inquire.

I hope that you and Aunt Clara are having a good time, and hope that I may be able to get out to Huntingdon sometime this spring to see you all.

With much love from all of us,

Your nephew,

March 14th, 1910.

The Rev. James M. Martin,

69 Auburn St.,

Paterson, N. J.

Dear Mr. Martin,

Your kind note of March 11th is just received and I am sorry it will not be possible for me to help in the proposed conference on April 11th. I hope, however, that it may lead all those who attend to a more simple-hearted practical acceptance of the New Testament teaching regarding our Lord's coming. I should enjoy being present, but my engagement book is already overfilled.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Donald Mackay,

55 Wall Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Mackay,

I thank you heartily for your kind note of welcome home, and also for the invitation to address the graduating class of nurses at the Home, Presbyterian Hospital, on the evening of May 13th. I shall be very glad indeed to do this.

With warm regard, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. H. Heebner,

1854 Frankford Ave.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Heebner,

Your kind note of March 5th has been received. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to help in the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the Kensington Association, but I have my schedule entirely filled for the month of April and cannot take on any more appointments. I should be glad to come if I could, having a very warm interest in the Kensington Association.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

The Rev. Thomas Spurgeon,

Paignton, South Devon,

England.

My dear Mr. Spurgeon,

Your kind note of February 22nd has been forwarded to me from Scotland, as I had left Edinburgh before it was received. I am sorry that it will not be possible to accept your cordial invitation, but I do not expect to return to Great Britain until June, just in time for the Conference in Edinburgh.

Regretting that it will not be possible to have the pleasure of attending the missionary conference of the Pastors' College Evangelical Association, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Arthur McMurtrie,

Huntingdon, Pa.

My Dear Uncle Arthur,

I wrote you just the other day to Mexico City, having returned from Scotland on Monday last. I suppose the letter will come back from there in due time. I am glad you were able to get down and to see the church at Coyoacan and to meet some of the missionaries.

With regard to Mr. Haas, as I told you I would do in the letter which I wrote you in Mexico, I have written to Mr. Holt, of Portland, Oregon, who knows the condition of the churches in Oregon and Washington better than anyone else, and have asked him if there is any opening out there to communicate directly with Mr. Haas. I quoted to him what you wrote about Mr. Haas.

I am sorry you had trouble with the altitude and trust you are getting a good rest now. I hope to stop off in Huntingdon some day in Spring for a few hours at least.

With much love to all,

Your nephew,

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Frederick S. Duncan,

73 Nassau St.,

New York City.

My dear Fred,

I shall be proud to represent the Andover Association at the Exeter dinner on April 5th. If however now and then you find among your papers any prepared brief for just such an occasion, I wish you would let me look it over.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Miss Margaretta D. Purves,

501 Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Purves,

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. How would "The Condition and Claim of South America" do for a title for the address in Cincinnati?

With reference to the collection, I have consulted Mrs. Wood and would suggest either the work in Cartagena, where Miss Descomb, Miss Kuhl and Mr. Lemington are, or the work in Barranquilla, where the Loos and Miss Scott and Miss Quinby are workers. There is both educational and evangelistic work in both of these stations.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 12th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,

158 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Briggs,

I return herewith the copies of the contracts. I am sorry to hear that the "Alice Jackson Memorial" has not gone off better. The arrangement with regard to it is quite satisfactory. I think you will come out all right on it.

Thank you very much for the copy of Mr. Moyer's little book. Please don't fail to have the bill for it sent up to me.

I have not been able to get at the galleys of the new book yet. There is a very narrow margin for any corrections, and I fear I shall have to make these on slips and paste them on the side of the galley.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 14th.

March 14th, 1910.

Mr. Charles Evers,

605 Belgrade Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Evers:

I thank you for your kind note of March 10th, which is just received. I wish I could accept your cordial invitation for one of the meetings on the Fortieth Anniversary of the Beacon Church, but my engagement book is already filled.

I am asking Dr. Halsey, who keeps the list of our missionaries who are at home on furlough and who are available for such service as this, if he will kindly write you, suggesting the name of the best missionary who will be available at that time.

Please let us know whenever we can be of any service to you.

Very sincerely yours,

March 17th, 1911.

Rev. [illegible], D.D.,

[illegible], Chicago, Ill.

We enclose with this the dear one to her [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] with you.

[illegible] H. [illegible].

March 1[illegible], 1910.

Youth's Companion,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Sirs:-

Prior to the holidays my s[illegible] Elliott Lyser, had your kind subscription for the Youth's Companion for the year 1910. Subsequently, his uncle, Mr. W. S. Mourness, of Huntingdon, Pa., received through an agent named Carey the subscription which he had been paying for Elliott. Knowing that we was doing this at his uncle, paying the balance required, and requesting you to send one of the two copies of the paper subscribed for for him to Master William Y. Lee, son of the Rev. Walter Scott Lee, Barranquilla, Colombia, South America. Elliott is receiving his copy. Will you kindly let me know whether a copy is being sent regularly to William Lee?

Yours very truly,

March 15th, 1910.

Mr. L. E. Palmer,

105 East 22nd St.,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

[illegible] from Scotland a few days ago and found your letter of January 17th, which had been accumulated in my absence. I should be glad to write the article in question, but have already promised more than I can do. I would suggest your asking the Rev. James S. Dennis, D.D. to write on the subject mentioned. He has written the standard book on these aspects of foreign missionary work and has abundant material at hand for such an article. His address is Box 177, Montclair, N. J. I think he will be glad to write it, and if he is unable to do so, I would suggest the Rev. A. E. Caldwell, one of the assistant secretaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Mr. Caldwell has been around the world visiting missions, and has devoted himself to the study of missions and the presentation of missionary interest.

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 14th.

March 15th, 1910.

Mrs. C. H. Beebe,

425 West 117th St.,

New York City.

Dear Mrs. Beebe,

I shall be very glad to take the Thursday half-hour service (at 12.30 is it not?) on March 24th. I did not hear until last week, on returning from abroad, of Miss Doheny's death. I sincerely share your sorrow in this great loss.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 14th.

March 15th, 1910.

Mr. A. J. Elliott,

276 Greenwood Ave.,

Kankakee, Ill.

My dear Dad,

I returned from Scotland last week, where I have been for the last two months, and received the day I returned your note. The Rochester address has not been published yet. I have just received the final proofs and returned them to Turner for the report of the Committee. I think that Mr. Pierson is expecting to print the address in "The Missionary Review", and I presume that will be the quickest way to get it. I have written a very full report on my visit which I have submitted to the Board, but it has not yet been published for general circulation and it may be felt that some things in it are too strong to make it wise to circulate it promiscuously.

I am glad to know of your interest in South America. The need is great and the laborers are few.

With kind regards to Mrs. Elliott, I am,

Ever your friend,

Dictated March 16th.

March 14th, 1910.

General Charles Bird,

1307 Delaware Ave.,

Wilmington, Del.

Dear General Bird,

Your kind note of March 12th is just received. I wish I could come down for the Layman's Missionary Supper on either one of the evenings you suggest, but I have my engagement book already overfilled. I am sorry, for I should have been glad to be of service if I could, but I have been away from New York for eight out of the last ten months, and have only a little time here now before having to go off in June to the World Missionary Conference in Edinburgh. I would suggest your trying to get the Rev. W. W. R. Janvier, D.D., of 1400 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Janvier is Chairman of the Foreign Missions Committee of the Synod of Pennsylvania, and used to be out in India. We have no better or more living missionary worker.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

March 15th, 1910.

Mr. W.R.Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My Dear Will:

I got back from Scotland last week and found your note of February 24th awaiting me. I don't know what I shall be able to do this summer in the way of Conference work. If the whole family goes to Scotland to the Edinburgh Conference, we shall stay until Fall, and I shall not be able to get to any of the Conferences at all. If, on the other hand, I go alone, I shall be back early in July, and it may be possible to come to the Young Women's Conference. I shall keep the matter in mind, and shall let you know if I find that I can come.

Very affectionately yours,

March 15th, 1910.

Rev. Henry B. Master,

First Presbyterian Church,

Fort Wayne, Indiana.

My dear Mr. Master:

I returned from Scotland last week, and received your good note of February 19th. It is too early yet to make definite appointments for next Fall or Winter or Spring, and I do not know as yet what the main outlines of the year's work will be. The experiences of the last few years have taught us to be prepared for unanticipated changes. Some time this Spring, however, I shall hope to be able to block out tentatively next year's work, and shall let you know then in case I find that it will be possible to spend a Sunday at Fort Wayne.

Rejoicing inall that your Church is doing, and trusting that it may go on from these achievements to ever greater ones, I am

Very sincerely yours,

March 15th, 1910.

President John Willis Baer,

Occidental College,

Los Angeles, Cal.

My dear John:

I got back from Scotland last week, and write as early as possible in reply to your kind note of February 25th.

I wish I could accept Professor Biddle's invitation. I would be glad to give those lectures in the University and at Occidental, but I see no likelihood of my being able to get the time next Fall or Winter, and have written regretfully to this effect to Professor Biddle.

Your sincere friend,

March 15th, 1910.

The Rev. Walter L. Whallon,

Altoona, PA.

Dear Mr. Whallon:

Your kind note of February 22nd was received and acknowledged while I was away from New York.

There is no place that I enjoy going to as much as back to the old Presbytery, and I shall be glad to come to the Evangelistic Conference whenever I am invited and am able to accept. I am very uncertain, though, as to the possibilities for this coming September. Everything depends on how we arrange our force for the Summer and Fall, and as to whether I have to be abroad again. It is all so uncertain that I think you ought to eliminate me in planning for the Conference, and then, if later I find that it is possible for me to come, there might be some corner in the program left where I could be put in.

I trust that Dr. Adam and Dr. Work may both be able to accept the Committee's invitation.

Very cordially yours,

March 15th, 1910.

Professor H.C.Biddle,

University of California,

Berkeley, Cal.

My dear Professor Biddle:

Your very kind letter of February 14th was received and acknowledged during my absence from the country. I thank you heartily for your kind invitation to come to the Coast some time next Fall or Winter for the Lectures in the Colleges and Universities. I wish I might be able to do so. If I could imagine that I could get away from my work here for the purpose, I would gladly come for no remuneration at all if the traveling expenses could be provided, but I see no prospect of being able to get out to the Coast either this year or next.

I remember with great pleasure brief visits to the Institutions you mention several years ago, and shall be glad to come back again whenever it is practicable.

Very cordially yours,

March 15th, 1910.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
4105 Locust Street,
Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Charlie:

Your good note of welcome home has been received, and I am very grateful for it and for being back again near all the blessed friendships. Distance does not interrupt them, but it is very much more comfortable to have the distance eliminated.

While Aline is over here, can't you come over and bring her with you to Englewood for a little visit? Then and the children and I would be delighted if you could. We should feel a little more sense of your life then, if you could escape for a while from the conditions in Philadelphia.

With warm love, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible] 1910.

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My dear Sir,

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Very affectionately yours,

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Mr. Henry A. Rennie,

[illegible]

New York City.

My dear Mr. Rennie,

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March [illegible], [illegible].

Mr. W. M. Grant,

[illegible] 57th St.,

New York City.

My dear Sir,

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Very sincerely yours,

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March 17th, 1910.

Mr. J. A. Hunter,

Brownfield, Cromarty,

Ardrishaig, Scotland.

Dear Mr. Hunter,

I have very much pleasure in sending you the incident and the poem for which you asked me in the "Chronicle".

The incident was as follows. Phoenix was day from the street of his native city, Philip De Lori, one of the great English humorists of the 18th century, was coming toward him a bag of his manuscripts. He tripped up and fell as he came in his way. The bag was scattered the manuscripts and lay the sense of his happiness. The poor unfortunate was so far from consolation from the malicious of the city and that many years of and years gone at an end. "Yes," said the old man, "and what next?" "Well," the boy replied, "he was to study law in the offices of the leading lawyers of the city, and that he was going to marry the sweetest girl alive." "Yes," said the old man, "and what next?" the boy said. "He intended to be a great lawyer and a great man and to do great results." "Yes," said the old man, "and what next?" "Well," said the boy, "he would fulfill his life in great honor." "And after this is all over, what next?" asked the old man. The boy lowered his head and walked on sobbing down the street, thinking over that new question.

The bit of poetry was by George Arnold, a young American poet who died some years ago. It was entitled "The Long of Life", and was as follows:-

Mr. J. A. Sadler

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I have had my will,
Tasted every pleasure;
I have drunk my fill
Of the purple measure.
Life has lost its zest,
Sorrow is my guest-
Oh! the lees are bitter, bitter;
Give me rest.

[illegible] filled the bowl
[illegible] with blisses,
Made my very soul
[illegible] with crimson kisses.
But I drank it dry.
Love has passed me by-
Oh! the lees are bitter, bitter;
Let me die.

I was glad to have the pleasure of meeting you on the "Mauretania" and trust that you are having success in your business in America this time. Both have had to give our land the [illegible] your citizens as a Christian man.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 1st.

March 17th, 1910.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Will,

I enclose herewith the corrected letters you and Dwyer Miller, which must soon be read. There are different terminologies in the Christian religion and some in the same central sanctum of it, but there is only one love and one Spirit, and whenever this unity exists the different points can be made room for; only our brethren will always begin where our terminology ends; a higher place than the one Lord and the one Spirit, or that any man's terminology becomes a measuring line for others, is a dangerous thing to stand on the central ridge.

Ever affectionately yours,

Samuel Dwyer Miller.

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March 1[illegible]th, 1910.

Mr. Frank A. Keller,

[illegible] Changsha,

Hunan, China.

My dear Frank,

I was delighted to get a few days ago your good letter of January 31st, with the [illegible] little [illegible]. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to know how you and Mrs. Keller are and how the work is prospering. I trust [illegible] to say [illegible] and your family.

I am sorry that [illegible] should be having so much difficulty in the matter of land, but I am wondering how the establishment of the proposed university at Hankow will affect the project at Changsha. [illegible] and hope to have [illegible] information. It seems that the university project has [illegible] from the Oxford-Cambridge [illegible] the supporters of it are hoping to interest the American universities in it also, and I don't quite see [illegible] all this [illegible]. I cannot [illegible] that [illegible] to the Yale Mission, but perhaps there is room [illegible] in the present conditions for both.

I have been away from home [illegible] of the last [illegible] months, six of them in South America and [illegible] in England, where I went to deliver some missionary lectures at Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen, in addition to which I was attending [illegible] in preparation for the World Missionary Conference in June, which is going to be a great gathering. It was delightful to be in touch with all the life of England in the [illegible], instead of merely being a visitor looking at the ancient buildings.

March 17th, 1910.

Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip Jr.

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Mrs. Spoor and the children join in warmest remembrances to you and Mrs. Vanderlip.

Ever your friend,

[illegible]

March [illegible] 1910.

[illegible] 1910.

Mr. G. [illegible] Williams,

[illegible] Square,

[illegible], Maryland.

Dear Sir:

On returning to New York last week I found your Pittsburg letter of January [illegible] with enclosure in connection [illegible]. I should be glad to [illegible] if I had time to do so, but I have already [illegible] more work than I shall have time to do [illegible] and [illegible] more of this kind on [illegible] hand.

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 14th.

March 17th, 1910.

The Rev. William D. Boodin,

[illegible], Pa.

My dear Mr. Boodin,

On returning from Scotland last week, I found your kind note with reference to my [illegible] & Bishop of Harrisburg. I wish I could do so, but I have already arranged for all of my Sundays until September. I have been away so much the last two months that it has taken the work here into a few months after [illegible] work. Moreover, I have the whole College year, [illegible] more extra [illegible] work. I am very sorry, as I should very much have enjoyed such a visit as you proposed.

I think it would be worth your while visiting Dr. [illegible] who [illegible] to present the highest [illegible] work. He is a [illegible] of this [illegible]. Perhaps he has already been there.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible], [illegible].

Mrs. [illegible] Grier,

United Free Church Theological College,

[illegible], Scotland.

My dear [illegible],

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I have the most of the same [illegible] and hope for you, and thank-
ing all again for all your kindness, [illegible],

Ever your friend,

[illegible]

[illegible], 1[illegible], 1911.

The Rev. [illegible],

[illegible] Presbyterian Church,

[illegible],

My dear Dr. [illegible],

[illegible] of February [illegible], with the accompanying copies of your address to the Assembly and the Presbyterian [illegible] a few days ago. I thank you heartily for the letter and the pamphlets. Mrs. Speer has already carried off the pamphlet concerning the progress, with which we have been [illegible]. The opinions I had already held in [illegible], and was anxious to know the action the Assembly took in this [illegible] the question relating to organizations in the presbyteries [illegible]. We are seeking to introduce some of this idea into our Foreign Mission [illegible], and many of our best [illegible] and friends to have [illegible] made the point very real to be a great great need [illegible] in this regard.

There is a great deal of misapprehension [illegible], and a natural feature to postpone the [illegible] of Presbyterianism, but we have felt that [illegible] to date at the same time that we must [illegible] a reasonable and [illegible] attitude which is bound to [illegible] administration of our Presbyterian [illegible] of Foreign Missions [illegible].

I do think you are [illegible] to be commended on the General Assembly. It would be a great pleasure to accept it, if it were possible, but our Assembly meets the [illegible] day and is immediately followed by our annual conference with our new Foreign Missionaries, and I would not be able to call for Scotland until these meetings are over. I trust that the [illegible] of misunderstanding [illegible] may also disappear, and that the Conference in June instead of being the initiation may become only a fresh starting point.

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My dear Mrs. [illegible],

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[illegible]

With good wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. Fred A. Anderson,

Y. M. C. A., [illegible]

Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Anderson,

[illegible] Minneapolis this spring. [illegible] which to catch up.

I want [illegible] for one or two [illegible]. Do you teach any of the physical sciences or mathematics or engineering, and would you be willing to think of [illegible] educational work in an [illegible] in all their thinking and [illegible]?

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

The Hon. [illegible]

[illegible]

My dear [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] trust that you and Jeannette may be very happy in it.

[illegible]

you know.

I hope that you had a good meeting on the [illegible], and with warm regards to Jeannette and yourself, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

[illegible]

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Hanover, N. H.

My dear [illegible],

I [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] your [illegible] of [illegible]. I wish I could [illegible] to you [illegible], but I [illegible] that [illegible]. I [illegible] until the end of [illegible], and [illegible] and [illegible] has been so [illegible] that [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]. I am sorry [illegible], but perhaps sometime ahead it may be better.

Mr. [illegible] of a little book which I had written for the Young People's Missionary Movement, containing a number of biographical sketches. The sketches I wrote of [illegible] are not in [illegible], but in the publication by [illegible], entitled "[illegible]". I don't know where you could get biographical material about [illegible]. [illegible] biography of him and it would have been out before this, but I have not seen any copy of it. There is a biography of [illegible] by [illegible] which would give you material for a good address. I [illegible] in the [illegible]. [illegible] which might be useful to you would be [illegible] book of [illegible], entitled "A [illegible]", [illegible] by [illegible], [illegible]. [illegible] that I know of [illegible] several [illegible] volumes [illegible]. None of these [illegible], however, except the one you mention in your let-

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Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

March [illegible], [illegible].

The Rev. [illegible],

[illegible] Presbyterian [illegible],

Buenos Aires, Argentina.

My dear Mr. [illegible],

I [illegible] to [illegible] last week, [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] in [illegible] the World [illegible] Conference in Edinburgh in June. [illegible] Your [illegible] to all the [illegible], I think, and [illegible] I [illegible] with your [illegible] a most [illegible] time. It was a great pleasure to [illegible] you and [illegible] in South America. I [illegible] from [illegible] that you were [illegible] to [illegible] this way, but [illegible] you will [illegible] to [illegible] of the United States. If you [illegible] back to South America you will [illegible] see the South American coast. Don't you think you had better come home by [illegible] and come up the west coast to [illegible], or from Panama to New York, and sail from New York for Edinburgh? The expense would be a little greater than going directly home, but you would see a great deal of very much [illegible] than [illegible]. You could [illegible] the railroad from [illegible] to [illegible] on the way to La Paz, and I think it would be well worth your while to make that trip and to go from La Paz up to [illegible], which you can do by rail, and from there down to Arequipa and then to Mollendo and from there to [illegible] by boat. If you adopt this plan, we would hope to see you in our own home here. I don't know, however, just when you are planning, but

The Rev. D. Bruce McIntyre D.D. March 24th, 1911.

I shall be over in Montreal during the month of June. There is a possibility that I may have to [illegible] to cover the ground, but perhaps you will be able to arrange some visits for me.

Mr. Moor and I were pleased to hear of your visit to Japan and the great interest which you had in Mr. Yamaji and the Kumiai mission sent to us.

With you from time to time of [illegible], and wishing you

Very cordially yours.

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[illegible]

I [illegible] last week and found your note of February [illegible]. I [illegible] Football [illegible] any opinion of [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] possible to enforce a [illegible] rule, it would have a very real effect on the game, that it would cut up a great deal more and finish a suggested end zone play, and it would give the runner a much better chance than he has now. On the other hand, it would do away with a great deal of beautiful tackling, and it would reinforce the old squabbles as to whether a [illegible] Harvard, I think in 1911, [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible]. [illegible] that disqualification, [illegible] and did not [illegible] [illegible] tackling, I think [illegible] and cultivate the game a great deal. I think [illegible] of any changes in the game, in order to improve the game. If it is the defense, then you ought not to forbid the tackling. If you want to give an advantage to the offense, [illegible] the ball, then it would be a good [illegible] tackle. I think you would [illegible] any other form of the interference in behalf of the runner which has been [illegible] If you give the runner the advantage of a wide tackling [illegible] interference, the defense is too [illegible] [illegible] and would do the interfering [illegible]

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most [illegible], [illegible] of the [illegible] and the [illegible] in the defense, I think you will agree [illegible] the [illegible] greatly increased its interest. But it needs to be remembered that the [illegible] teaching comes about as much [illegible] accidentally [illegible] review, for it was impossible, in living play where [illegible] though the [illegible] another [illegible], to allow [illegible] only [illegible] [illegible] teaching [illegible]. It is a question, however, whether the difficulties of [illegible] a [illegible] teaching game are not less than [illegible], if they are not due to the all manner of [illegible], are at least [illegible] with it.

Very [illegible],

[illegible]

March 19th, 1910.

Mr. Leslie Johnston,

c/o Royal Asiatic Society,

27 Albemarle St., West,

London, England.

My dear Mr. Johnston,

Before leaving Scotland, I received your letter of February 2nd, from which I suggest that you were under the impression that the Edinburgh Missionary Conference in 1910 is to be held instead of June, as you speak of your having thought that somewhat as I was coming to the World's Missionary Conference I would return the last week in April or the first of May. It is a month later that we will be coming over.

I should have been glad to be of any service to you in connection with the scheme if I could.

I hear that Lord Milner hopes is going soon to our side within a few weeks. It will be a pleasure to see him, and to confer on the whole subject of Christian education in China.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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Miss [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

My dear Miss Jennings,

I returned from [illegible] last week and was delighted to get your letter of March [illegible]. Shortly afterwards I saw Miss Delano and had time for just a word with her about you. I am glad that the winter has had the sunshine with the cloud in it, [illegible] that as the months go by the clouds may flee more and more, or that at any rate, even if they seem to gather again, the faith that pierces them and that sees back of [illegible].

I hope to be back in New York now for the next three months, with only short absences of a day or two at a time, and whenever you are down near the offices I hope you will not fail to drop in.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Richard [illegible]

March 13th, 1911.

Miss Abigail Kelley Hazard,

708 Newark Ave.,

Elizabeth, N. J.

My dear Miss Hazard,

I just got back from abroad last week and was glad to receive your note about the Princeton posters. I have not seen any of them yet, but shall try to do so, and trust that you may have a great success with them.

I am sorry to hear of your father's breakdown and the necessity of his giving up business. I trust that there is reason to hope that even with his years he can recover and take up his active life again.

With kind regards from Mrs. Speer and myself, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

Marion Inn, [illegible].

Miss Mary J. Kirkpatrick,

6 Montgomerie Crescent,

Kelvinside, Glasgow, Scotland.

My dear Miss Kirkpatrick,

I thank you heartily for your kind letter of February [illegible] received shortly before my departure. I am very pleased at the increasing spread of interest and help. They are all in type now, and I am expecting the proofs. All the [illegible] articles will be in the publication, and I shall try to arrange some of those controversial things as you desired. I do [illegible] the things [illegible] and [illegible] it seems to me it is necessary to get these clearly in the minds of the principles that are involved but everything based and authoritable to scripture, and I hope that the Lectures and publication may be successful of anything of the sort.

Thanking you for your good letter, and with much prayer that the Christ's the code of visit in Scotland may be delightful, I am,

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 1st.

March 19th, 1910.

The Rev. J. M. E. Ross,

The Bungalow,

Red Hill, Surrey, England.

My dear Mr. Ross,

I returned to New York last week from Scotland, and find on looking forward over the plans for the next few months that there is no prospect of my being able to get back to England for the annual Missionary Meeting in connection with the Missions of the Presbyterian Church of England in May. I wish I could come, as I should greatly rejoice to attend the meeting and to meet the friends who will be there.

Thanking you again for your invitation, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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Mr. E. G. [illegible],

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[illegible]

I returned from abroad last week and found your letter of February [illegible] with its enclosures. I can imagine who the friend is of whom you write, and think it was the friend be of her misgivings, but as I recollect, in our [illegible] vacation she was in mind rather the younger boys and not those older who [illegible] already knew all that you were saying, except that they did not know the [illegible] of deliverance and freedom. As I have said you, I think there is a great danger in such work as yours, not only lest some curiosity should be [illegible] and [illegible] looking where it is not better, if possible, that they should [illegible] their innocence, but also and even more because we [illegible] indefinitely with a message of your experiences; and while, of course, your message is kept living insofar as you are kept by a daily experience of the deliverance power of Christ. Nevertheless, [illegible] you will feel the necessity of going on to [illegible]. [illegible] less God will have [illegible] to do the work of [illegible] those who [illegible] to sinlessness which will always need to be done.

The general feeling [illegible] I have heard about your work has been in line with the commendation [illegible] which you enclose, [illegible] have rejoiced in the assurance of which I have heard in [illegible]. At the same time I have heard [illegible] who had the deepest [illegible] most criticisms of points of detail, where the actual location of [illegible] has been mentioned by boys, [illegible] of a student [illegible] of marriage had been broken, [illegible] from a circumstance [illegible]

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ail of the audience. I have never heard [illegible] or [illegible] a few words that I heard your [illegible] of Christian work in the University of Pennsylvania, so that I am not in a position to form an opinion except at second hand as to your message and Mr. Taylor's. I think you cannot be careful enough about, first of all, accuracy of truth, where everybody of us dealing with moral and spiritual things needs to be scrupulous and watchful: second, about details, which, while they often seem essential in order to drive truths home and produce the impression, must not be introduced needlessly: and third, about any excess dwelling upon the evil life, which, of course, is to be dealt with but need not be dwelt upon; and fourth, about any obscuring by the prominence of the sinner's experience of the glory of Him by Whom and for Whom all work is done. We had a good talk at the very beginning of your work on this point. It is where every man needs to be on his guard and the more so in proportion as his work is successful. There seems to be a certain amount of self-advertising to which a man must assent if he is going to do a public work nowadays, although I have never been able to assent to it myself and prefer not to do the work if such exploitation is essential to it.

I know of others who are doing this work, in accordance with what seems to be the unavoidable conditions of the time. These conditions are not of my choice, however. I only marvel that you have been as well as I hear you have been from the most insidious and dangerous snares.

I have written with the same deep interest and feeling as I felt from the beginning, and I am sure you will be assured that I am [illegible] guard, lest I write with indiscriminate praise, and I need not say that I rejoice in all that God has accomplished and trust that it is only the beginning of greater things, but it will be [illegible]

Mr. L. C. [illegible] March 16th, 1[illegible].

will write on always to do the kind of work which you have been doing, so as to be able to contribute the testimony so far as it is necessary and wise to present this testimony which you have been contributing.

[illegible] dangerous, and while increasing care must be taken to guard against the dangers of which your subscriber has told you, there are dozens of men in our colleges who are held tight in the clutch of immorality and intemperance. They must see the horror of these things, and they must know that there is a power that can deliver men from them, and all this means deadly work and a close grapple with devilish forces and hard, straight smiting with the directness and power of the Gospel. The work is fearfully necessary and it is fearfully perilous.

I was sorry to miss seeing you when you were in before the holiday and I shall be glad to see you any time and to talk things over with you.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 17th, 1910.

[illegible] Bailey,

North American Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Dr. Bailey,

Your kind note of March 1st was received and acknowledged w[illegible] I was still [illegible]. It was a pleasure, as it always is, to have from you [illegible] I shall be glad to be of what help I can at the Convention in Washington [illegible] would add a little as this do for my address- "The Call of our Nearest Neighbors"

Dr. Shedd of Persia has sent me a copy of the paper which he wrote at your request, and has asked me to suggest to you the name of some [illegible] to read it; but I presume you will already have arranged this, knowing who will be available for such service.

Senor Alvaro Reis, Moderator of the [illegible] in Brazil, in sailing to-day, I think, for [illegible] desire, [illegible] in time for the Convention and to attend the Northern and Southern [illegible] Assemblies and some other meetings. What day will you want him in Philadelphia? Because the two Assemblies meet at the same time with the Washington Convention, it will be necessary to arrange his schedule so that he [illegible] to all the [illegible] It not possible that with him, you will not [illegible] [illegible] very about South America, and his presence [illegible]

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Yo 16[illegible]

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[illegible] very kind note of January 8th I found waiting last week [illegible] Scotland. If I am able, I shall [illegible] [illegible] will depend upon whether I have to be [illegible] [illegible] that time. I am hoping that this may not be [illegible], but if it is not and I can get to Andover, you see it will [illegible] get to Wellesley for the evening meeting, as there is a [illegible] [illegible] and usually a students' meeting [illegible].

I shall be glad to try to hold next [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I don't know whether anything may come up to prevent and [illegible] [illegible] journeys to far distant lands. I shall let you know [illegible], when I come to make up next year's schedule, whether I can [illegible] in the 27th. Meanwhile I can put it down.

With kind regards, I remain,

Very sincerely, [illegible]

March 21st, 191 .

Mr. A. L. Marshall,

Institute Place,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Marshall,

I returned from Scotland last week and write at the first op[illegible] in reply to your letter of January 15th. I wish I could hope to be [illegible] the summer course, but all my plans for the summer are [illegible] [illegible] over in Scotland for the months of July and August. If I do n[illegible] [illegible] here, I cannot say now just how our office arrangements will be [illegible], and I may be tied down to the offices by the absence of others, or [illegible] myself tied to finish up several books that I have promised within the next few months. I shall be glad to keep your letter at hand, and when I [illegible] about the summer and if I find that I can come, I shall let you [illegible] but if you don't hear within a few months you will understand that it [illegible] be impossible for me to come to help, as I should be glad to.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 14th.

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[illegible] Ph.D., LL.D.,

[illegible] 24, City Hall,

Philadelphia, Pa.

[illegible] Dr. [illegible],

I [illegible] Scotland [illegible] your kind note of [illegible] awaiting me. I am still very uncertain as to my plans for the sum[illegible]. I have to go back to Scotland for the month of June and my [illegible] stay over there during July. If not, whether I should be free to come out to Huntingdon for the summer school would depend on [illegible] at that season and had others with me in the office. I shall not know for a few weeks yet as to just what I can plan for. If I find that I can come, I shall let you know. If you do not hear from me, you will know it is because I shall be away and unable to accept your invitation. If it is possible for me to accept, I shall, both because I am always glad to get to Huntingdon and also because it will be a pleasure to accept any invitation from you.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] Hazel [illegible].

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[illegible]

[illegible] a great pleasure to receive two days after nothing but your note of February 26th, which had been forwarded to Scotland and delayed after [illegible] It will be a pleasure to see you any time [illegible] and if we can arrange some practicable term I don't mind [illegible] it will be a happy thought to come and [illegible] easily convenient for the next three months, however.

Thank you very much for what you say about the Rochester affair. I saw you as clearly as anyone that night, and was charmed by your [illegible] threat.

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[illegible]

[illegible] 1910.

[illegible] D.D.,

[illegible],

[illegible] Cambridge,

[illegible] very glad to get the other day your note of February 5th, and [illegible] in "The Missionary Review" the January number and shall look forward to receiving from Mr. Horton the "Harvard Review" for last [illegible] the article on the Alevi movement. I have been away from [illegible] almost all the last ten months, six months in South America and [illegible] months in Scotland, and only returned last week. The South American experience was intensely interesting, but most depressing. It is one [illegible] to see pagan superstition and immorality covered over by Christian forms and phraseology than to see it in its own garb. If there is one part of the world that mortally needs the cleansing, freeing power of the Gospel it is South America; and the problem there is no [illegible] like the problem in Mohammedanism, where it is not ignorance of Christianity but corrupt ideas with which we have to contend.

I hope that you are well and that the work is going forward with very increasing encouragement. I trust that the whole movement, and not least the work in behalf of the Mohammedan world, may get a great impetus from the Edinburgh Conference in June. I found the deepest interest in the Conference in Scotland, and there is almost as great interest here, although naturally on this side it is connecting itself more at the present time with the Laymen's Missionary Movement and the development of [illegible] Boards [illegible] with a particular convention such [illegible] on the hearts and in the imagination of the Scotch

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Mrs Rev. Stephen [illegible], [illegible]

With [illegible]

[illegible]

Dishwashers [illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New York City.

My dear Mr. Slade,

I have just returned from a two months' absence in Scotland, [illegible] I will be pleased to come over to Madison Square Church House some night in April if I can arrange it, but I [illegible] away, with the exception of one evening, since the first [illegible] of last May and more so since the end of July up to the time of [illegible] that a good many engagements accumulated in this month and next, and [illegible] engagement book is already a good deal filled up for the time I shall be there. If I find that I can not [illegible] I shall be glad to let you know.

Very cordially yours,

Postdated March 15th.

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[illegible]

New York City,

My dear Miss [illegible],

From Scotland, I [illegible]

[illegible]

board in June, so that [illegible]

month and next, and I am not [illegible] about getting over [illegible]

[illegible] necessary for the meeting with the young women [illegible]

I [illegible] letter at hand, and if I find [illegible]

[illegible] I will let you know long [illegible] in advance,

[illegible]

[illegible] my associate, Dr. Stanley [illegible], at the [illegible]

could have his [illegible] time. He is the [illegible]

[illegible] in behalf of our [illegible], and he [illegible]

[illegible] of the school and they ought to [illegible]

Very cordially [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible], 1910.

[illegible] Cornelius H. Patton, D.D.,

[illegible],

Boston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Patton,

Your very kind letter of March 10th has been duly received. Nothing that it may be in my power to control will interfere [illegible] the [illegible] convention. The only difficulty I see in the [illegible] of being assigned to visit the synods of our Church in some far distant part of the country, the synod meeting falling almost entirely in the month of October. I have been pretty well over the ground the last few years, however, and expect to be allowed to stay in the east this coming fall, and I shall let you know within a few days whether we should so far centralize our synod visitation as to determine whether I can be free to accept your invitation.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible],

Valparaiso, Chile.

My dear Mr. Simon,

I have been in Scotland the last [illegible] months [illegible] and [illegible], and I was very much pleased to find the card of Christmas [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mrs. Simon & your daughter.

I [illegible] often recalled our pleasant voyage [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that part of your [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Valparaiso again. After parting with [illegible] at [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] by good fortune the same [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a long and most interesting [illegible] [illegible] river and over the new [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible], via [illegible], and reached New York safely the [illegible] in October.

I thoroughly enjoyed the visit to South America, although [illegible] prevailing there which we discussed [illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible]. I think you were right [illegible] [illegible] in one part of the world that needs the help of Protestant Christians, it is South America. The [illegible] [illegible].

I am taking the liberty of [illegible] [illegible], and trust that [illegible] [illegible].

All kind remembrances. [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible], 1[illegible].

Mr. Hubert G. Bovilles,

33 West 69th St.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Bovilles,

I was out of town yesterday and received [illegible] your notice of the meeting of the national executive committee of the Bible School Association, to be held this afternoon. I [illegible] to have [illegible] that I have already other engagements which will prevent [illegible] my present.

Very cordially yours,

March 23rd, 1910.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,

156 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Briggs,

I return herewith Galleys 35 to 55 inclusive. I have read all the rest of the proof and will send it back within two or three days. I am only holding it to get permission from two friends to quote certain private papers of theirs. I shall have all the galley proof in your hands within a few days.

The more I think of the book, the more I dislike the large form in which Dr. Richter's book is gotten up. I earnestly hope that you can put this out in the same size and general style as "Missionary Principles and Practice" or "Missions and Modern History," and I do wish that it might be possible to issue the book for $1.50. Even if the price must be $2.00, however, I think it would be better to have it in the more convenient size and shape indicated.

I have received a copy of "The Unfathomable Sorrow" which I shall be very glad to look over, if possible. I thank you very much for it and for the book of Richter's.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], India.

The Rev. [illegible], Secretary, A.B.M.U.,

[illegible] Temple,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barbour,

I am just preparing for the press some lectures on missions which I delivered in Scotland this winter, and wish to inquire whether you would have any objection to my getting a communication from the Indian Bishops in India in 1900. The following is the section of my lecture in which the passage occurs:-

There are some indeed, however, who are ready to get in convenience to accept the principles laid down in numerous unofficial pronouncements. The Anglican Bishops in India in their conference in 1900 resolved:

(a) In view of difficulties which have arisen from territorial agreements made between different missionary bodies, the Bishops feel that all members of the Church of Christ, whether Europeans or Indians, wherever they may be, have a right to the ministrations of the Church to which they belong, and that it is the duty of all ecclesiastical congregations to be centres of missionary activity.

(b) That, therefore, while recognising the spirit of the policy, in accordance with which the missions of different communions have endeavoured to avoid overlapping in the past, the Bishops deprecate any such territorial agreements in the future.

And in the "Comments upon the Plan for a System of Administration [illegible] Protestant Missions of India," the American Baptist Mission may be said to its missionaries in 1904:

The exclusive right of a body effectively occupying a field to prosecute work therein: While we must always be fraternal and would never be [illegible] distinctively Baptist views of [illegible] (as our course with regard to work in Persia indicates), we scarcely [illegible] to recognise such a principle as permanently controlling. If Baptist churches should appear in a field occupied by another society, [illegible] them aid. These features of the plan [illegible] upon the personal liberty, those [illegible] of the [illegible] It is clear that [illegible]

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March [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible] Thomas [illegible] Bourne, D.D.-F.C.[illegible]

[illegible] Gen[illegible] [illegible] far as contemplating permanence [illegible] exclusion of certain societies [illegible] prove impracticable.

These convictions are held with open-mindedness, however, and are acted upon with reluctance, and those of us who hold with Alexander Duff wait for the larger time when they will not be abandoned but transcended, swallowed up in the comprehending Church; and meanwhile it can be said that the essential principle of territorial responsibility has been generally accepted by the Baptist and Anglican missionary bodies, as well as by all others save one, of which I shall speak presently.

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Would you have any objection to this statement? If so, I should be very grateful if you would suggest any changes.

With kindest regard, I am,

very cordially yours,

P.S. Will you please [illegible]

March 23rd, 1910.

The Rev. James L. Barton, D.D.,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Barton,

I am just preparing for the press some lectures on missions which I delivered in Scotland this winter and write to inquire whether I am at liberty to quote the following paragraphs, stating that they are from the report of the deputation of the American Board to China in 1907.

The treaties between China and the Western nations give a degree of [illegible] protection to Chinese converts to Christianity. This [illegible] a class of [illegible] that [illegible] in any other country which has been the field of foreign missionary endeavor. It is now generally [illegible] that this clause in the treaties was [illegible], and on the whole has been [illegible] to the progress of Christianity in China. It has thrown grave suspicion in the eyes of [illegible] and of the Chinese people [illegible] missionaries. It has led the latter, in some cases, to [illegible] for the sake of personal advantage. [illegible] as a teacher of [illegible] of the representative of a foreign political power. [illegible] and [illegible] in the way of missionaries between the Chinese government and the people [illegible]. It has [illegible] taken advantage of [illegible] for the [illegible] of [illegible]. It [illegible] on the part of the [illegible] and people toward the missionaries. It [illegible] should [illegible] in [illegible] of the so-called Christian nations. It is at present by far the [illegible] of reproach in China against Christian missionaries.

In this respect, the Roman Catholic missionaries have been the greatest offenders. France, until the recent disestablishment of the Roman Catholic Church in that country, has been the nation most active in the protection of Chinese converts. A statement issued in the late spring of this year by the Governor-General of Peking and others high in authority, over their own signature, confirms this assertion with the greatest definiteness. But it is deplorable that Protestant missionaries even [illegible] way the [illegible] of any lawsuit in which a Chinese Christian might be a party in the light of a case of religious persecution. It is true that a great majority of our missionaries discountenance this practice. [illegible] that it is [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] relations [illegible]

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subjects to the court or to their government [illegible]

Very cordially yours,

P. S. Will you please reply by return mail? Thank you.

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